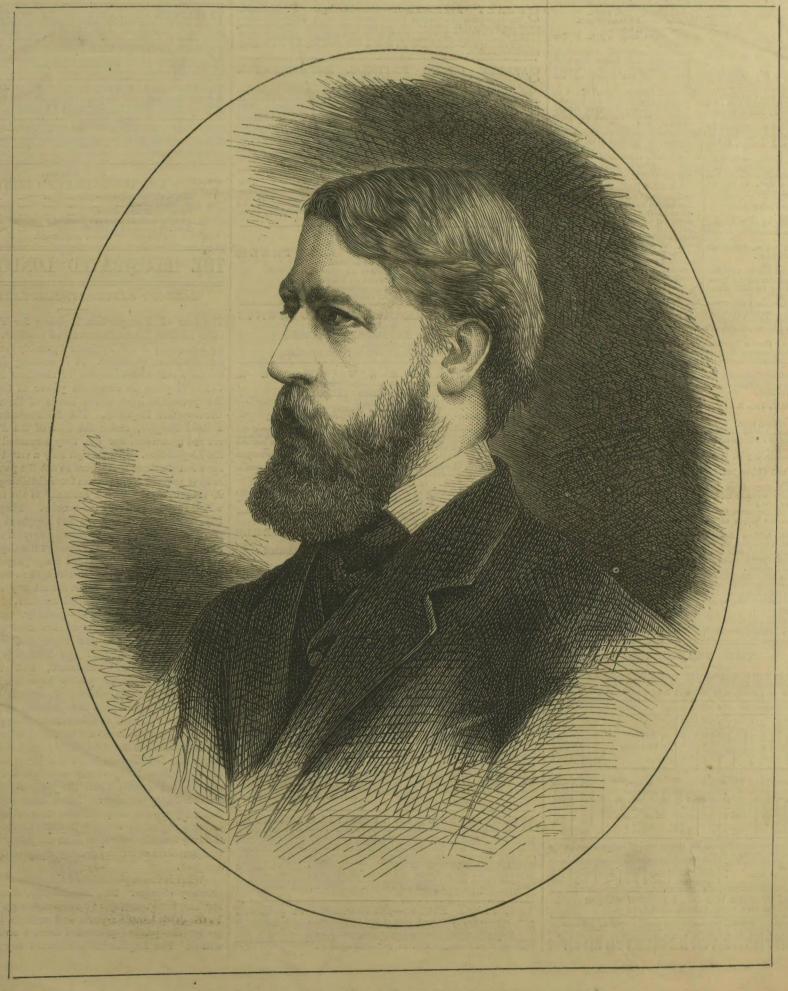


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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1875.

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BIRTHS.

On the 28th ult., at Parkfield, Weston, near Bath, the wife of William Henry Tagart, Esq., of a daughter.
On the 30th ult., at 9, Shaftesbury-street, Stockton-on-Tee; the wife of Edward Grey Faber, of a son.

MARRIAGES.

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On the 26th ult., at St. Thomas's Church, Portman-square, by the Rev. R. N. Feathersten, Vicar of Christ Church, Accrington, assisted by the Rev. H. Geary, Vicar of St. Thomas's, Frederic Murton, Esq., C.E., son of the late Colonel Murton, to Eliza Herbert, eldest daughter of the late A. B. Bloxam, Esq., and nicce and godchild, of Frederick Herbert Hemming, Esq., of 104, Glencester-place, Portman-square.

On the 27th ult., at St. Mary's Church, Bryanston-square, by the Rev. W. Lumley B. Cator, assisted by the Rev. Francis Holland, Chaplain in Ordinary to the Queen, Major Charles Clitheroe Gore, S3rd Regiment, son of the Hon. Lady and the late General the Hon. Sir Charles Gore, K.C.B., to Maria Harriet Elizabeth Cator, youngest daughter of Lady Louisa and the late Rev. Thomas Cator.

On the 28th ult., at Sheriffston, St. Andrew's Lhanbryd, by the Rev. C. Gordon, minister of the parish, Alexander A. Benton, of her Majesty's Bengal Civil Service, to Jane, second daughter of William Rose, Esq., of Sheriffston, Morayshire.

On the 28th ult., at Clondalkin parish church, by the Rev. Brabazon William Brunker, A.M., Rector of Duleek, in the county of Meath, assisted by the Rev. W. Winslow Berry, A.M., Rector of Clondalkin, Cecil Murphy, Esq., Licutenant Royal Artillery, only surviving son of the late Robert Xavier Murphy, Esq., chief translator to the Supreme Court, Bombay, to Annie Frances, only daughter of Thomas Roper, Esq., J.P., of Moyle Park, Clondalkin, in the county of Dublin.

DEATHS.

On the 5th ult., at Biackrock House, Haile, Cumberland, Jane, second daughter of the late Henry Mossop, Esq., of the same place, aged 51 years. On the 2nd inst., at Brook House, Dover, Mr. John Birmingham, in his 50th year.

At Charing, Kent, George Hyder, born Feb. 1, 1805; died Feb. 1, 1875. * The charge for the insertion of Births, Marriages, and Deaths is Five Shillings for each announcement.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK ENDING FEB. 13.

SUNDAY, Fr.B. 7.
Quinquagesima: Shrove Sunday.
Mohammedan Year 1292 begins.
St. Paul's Cathedral, 10.30 a.m., the
Rev. W. H. Milman, Minor Canon;
3.15 p.m., Rev. Bishop Clauphton;
7 p.m., the Lord Bishop of London.
Westminster Abbey, 10 a.m., the
H.C., and Rev. Lord John Thynne;
3 p.m., the Lord Bishop of Ely.
St. James's, noon, the Rev. Prancis
Garden, Sub-Dean of the Chapels
Royal.
Whitehall, 11 a.m. and 3 p.m., probally, Rev. Wm. F. Erskine Knollys,
Rector of Saltwood, near Hythe.
Savoy, 11.30 a.m., the Very Rev. the
Dern of Westminster; 7 p.m., the
Rev. Augustus F. Birch, Vicar of
Pethlesborough.
Temple Church, 11 a.m., the Rev. Dr.
Vaughan, Master of the Temple;
3 p.m., the Rev. A. Ainger, Reader
at the Temple.
French Anglican Church of St. John
(La Savoy), Bloomsbury-street,
services in French, 11 a.m. and 3.30
p.m., by the Rev. F. B. W.
Bouverie, Incumbent.

MONDAY, Fee. S.

Marriage of the Queen and the Prince
Consort, 1840.
St. James's, noon, the Lord Bishop
of London.
Whitchall, noon, the Very Rev. Dr.
Pakenham Walsh, Dean of Cashel.
Royal Literary Fund, 3 p.m.
Graphic Society, 8 p.m.
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St. James's, noon, the Lord Bishop
of London.
Whitchall, noon, the Very Rev. Dr.
Pakenham Walsh, Dean of Cashel.
Royal Literary Fund, 3 p.m.
("The
Messiah").
Spidemiological Society, 8 p.m.
("The
Bession).
Sp.m. (Mr. E. P. Loftus Brock on
Keynsham Abbey; Mr. H. Syer
Cuning on the Shield of the
Passion).
Society of Aris, 8 p.m. (Mr. W. E.
Newton on the Sand Blast and its
Adaptations).

THURS DAY, Feb. 11.
Royal Institution, 3 p.m. (Professor
Tyndall on Electricity).
Loddon Institution, 7 p.m. (Dr. G. G.

(La Savoy), Bloomsbury-street, services in French, 11 a.m. and 3.30 p.m., by the Rev. F. B. W. Bouverie, Incumbent.

MONDAY, Feb. 8.

Half Quarter Day.
London Institution, 5 p.m. (Professor Ferrier on the Functions of the Brain).

Royal Academy, 8 p.m. (Professor Weekes on Sculpture).

Medical Society, 8.20 (Admiral G. H. Richards on the Ronttowards the Pole for the Arctic Expedition of 1875).

Young Men's Christian Association, Exeter Hall, 8 p.m. (the Rev. Dr. H. Allon on Thought and Life).

Monday Popular Concert, 8t. James's Hall, 8 p.m. (the Rev. Arthur Rigg on Tools and Contrivances used in Handicratt).

London and Middlesex Archeological Society, evening (Mr. F. G. Hilton Price on Temple Bar).

TUESDAY, Feb. 9.

Shrove Tuesday.
Sultan of Turkey born, 1830.
Royal Institution, 3 p.m. (Mr. Ray Lankester on the Pedigree of the Animal Kingdom).

Inhotographic Society, 8 p.m. (aniversally).
Royal Institution, 3 p.m. (Mr. Sp.m. (Mr.

THE WEATHER.

RESULTS OF METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS AT THE KEW OBSERVATORY OF THE ROYAL SOCIETY.

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ONDON BALLAD CONCERTS .- ST. JAMES'S HALL. 14 NOTICE.—There will be no Concert on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 10. The last Concert but one of the season will be given on WEDNESDAY EVENING, FEB. 17, when the following artists will appear. Madame Sherington and Miss Edith Wynne, Miss Antoinette Sterling and Madame Osborne Williams; Mr. Edward Lloyd, and Mr. Santley, Pianoforte, Mr. Briner Richards. The London Vocal Union from St. Paul's), under the direction of Mr. Frederick Walker. Conductors, Mr. Meyer Lutz and Mr. Sidney Naylor, Stalls, 6s.; Family Thokes (to admit four), 21s.; Balcony, 3s.; Area, 2s.; Gallery and Orchestra, 1s. Tickets at Austin's, St. James's Hall; the usual Agents'; and of Boosey and Co., 226, Regent-street, W.

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THE ILLUSTRATED LONDON NEWS.

LONDON: SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1875.

The fear of Bonapartism is doing for France what all other motives have hitherto failed to effect. It is building up a majority in the National Assembly for the solution of constitutional questions. It is sending over to the Left. Centre a sufficient accession of members from the Right. Centre to place the dominant power of the Assembly, for the present at least, in the hands of those who favour a. Conservative Republic. The Parliamentary partisans of a third Empire, under the rule of the Prince Imperial, are not numerous, nor can they command many votes in the Legislature. But though only a small minority, they have known when and where to use the power they possess so as to prevent other parties from obtaining an ascendency. A thoroughly-organised audacity is the instrument upon which they mainly rely for success. They are ready for any emergency. They are not supposed to be strong in the country, but they have won several elections. They are looking forward to the close of the Septennate as their supreme opportunity, but are busy preparing meanwhile such an organisation of their strength as would be available. for their purpose to-morrow should any accident deprive France of the authority and services of Marshal Mac-Mahon. It is rumoured—possibly upon insufficient data—that the Cabinet of the Fourth Napoleon is already formed, that the high officers of the army have been chosen, that the Prefets of the Departments have been nominated, and that even the Mayors of populous places have been provisionally appointed. All this, whether borne out by due facts of the case, or in great part the phantom of popular imagination, has operated to break down the apparently insurmountable prejudices of the Orleanist Monarchists against the Republic. What the endless negotiations between the Right and Left Centres could not bring about, the dread of Imperialism has partially accomplished. To a certain and limited extent, there has been a fusion of the two Parliamentary sections. There have been votes in the Assembly on the constitutional laws which recognise the existing régime of nominal Republicanism as the basis of the only feasible settlement, and the policy which M. Thiers was overthrown for suggesting seems not unlikely to be accepted.

What is the explanation of this little expected but most salutary change? The Monarchists, divided into three sections, have ascertained by experience that whatever may be the case at some remote and uncertain hereafter they are for the present precluded from a realisation of their wishes. The Legitimists are barred any further advance by the impracticable conditions imposed upon them by the Comte de Chambord. The Orleanists have been shelved by the concessions of the Comte de Paris to the acknowledged head of the Royal house. There remain but the Bonapartists in the presence of Republicanism. The contest lies between the two latter parties. The Empire would be impossible but for the negative support which it obtains from Monarchists of other shades. The Republic, which de facto exists, might be made permanent, if the Constitutional Monarchists chose to organise it upon Conservative principles. As time advances Imperialism gains upon Republicanism-not because France prefers it, but because the partisans of Royalty in some shape or other will not permit the Republic to be constituted. This has been for some time past the scandal of French Parliamentary politics, and it has lately become obvious, even to superficial observers, that the longer this position shall be maintained the greater is the probability that, for the sake of getting established institutions of some kind, the people of France will ultimately acquiesce in placing the Prince Imperial upon his father's throne.

But a restoration of the Empire is believed to carry within itself the germs of those evils which have already gone nigh to ruin the country. It would almost necessitate a wasteful, extravagant, and corrupt home administration, and it would certainly powerfully conduce to a war of revenge with Germany. It is not needful to presuppose any tendency of the Prince Imperial's mind towards these conclusions. For some time after his elevation he would be but an instrument in the hands of the men who had most to do with the practical conduct of affairs under his sire. It could hardly be otherwise. The same principles which constituted the foundations of the Imperial system, the same obligations which crippled the will of Napoleon III., the same agencies to which he was compelled to resort, the same necessities to which he was exposed, and the same spirit which gave life to the system of which he was the head, would devolve as an inevitable but unfortunate legacy upon the empire of his son. Nor would it be possible for the latter to disclaim the terrible obligations which the misfortunes of the former would impose upon him. Almost his first business would be to attempt the recovery for France of the lost provinces of Alsace and Lorraine. What does this mean but war to the hilt with Germany? With Germany much better provided against the perils of such a collision, and much less encumbered by taxation and debt, than her antagonist? Victor or vanquished, the ruin of France in such a struggle would be frightful to contemplate. Intelligent and patriotic Frenchmen see this. The darkness of the prospect before them stirs their apprehension, and hence the increasing anxiety to avoid it by any means consistent with national stability and honour.

At length the moral pressure of this condition of affairs is beginning to make itself felt even in the National Assembly. A Republic, however constitutionally framed, would not be the spontaneous choice of that body. Every movement tending to the establishment of such a régime has been repelled by a determined majority. Latterly, however, it has come to be necessary to consider it as the alternative, and the only possible alternative, of the Empire. The energetic and skilful preparations of the Bonapartists have forced upon the Assembly this comparison. The consequence has been that the Right Centre is gradually running into the Left Centre. A majority of one in favour of M. Wallon's motion, on Saturday last, considered by M. Dufaure as tantamount to a proclamation of the Republic, has somewhat widened this week, and, indeed, shows promise of further growth. We cannot count very securely upon an eventual success in the attempt to frame constitutional laws, but it falls within the range of possibility, and approaches even the confines of likelihood.

THE COURT.

Trince Leopold continues to regain strength daily, and no more bulletins will be issued.

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The Queen, Princess Louise (Marchioness of Lorne), and Princess Beatrice attended Divine service at Whippingham church on Sunday. The Rev. George Prothero, the Rev. William P. Warburton, M.A., and the Rev. William Gray, P.A., efficiated.

Her Majesty, accompanied by the Princesses, has walked and driven out daily, and on Saturday last visited Ryde.

The Right Hon. Sir Stafford Northcote dined with the Crean vesterday week

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The Right Holt. Benjamin Distaett arrived at Osborne on Tucsday, and dined with the Queen and the Princesses.

The Queen held a Privy Council on Thursday morning—the Ministers present being Mr. Disraeli, the Lord Chancellor, the Duke of Richmond, Colonel T. E. Taylor, and the Marquis of Hertford. Her Majesty's Speech, to be delivered by commission at the opening of Parliament, was submitted to the Queen. Sir H. S. Keating, late Judge of the Common Pleas, was sworn in as a Privy Councillor, and took his seat at the board.

Lady Churchill has succeeded Lady Waterpark as Lady in Waiting, and Viscount Bridport and Colonel the Hon. Henry Byng have succeeded Lord Charles Fitzroy and Lord Frederick Kerr in waiting.

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THE PRINCE AND PRINCESS OF WALES.

The Prince of Wales proceeded to Dover on Sunday evening last, and embarked on board the special steamer Samphire, in which his Royal Highness crossed to Ostend, proceeding thence to Brussels, in order to be present at the marriage of Princess Louise, daughter of the King and Queen of the Belgians, with Prince Philip of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha-Kohary. The Prince arrived at the Southern Railway station at three o'clock on Monday, and was received by the King and the Count of Flan-

ders. A body of troops was drawn up at the station, and as the Royal party passed the band played "God Save the Queen." The British Minister, with the Secretary of the Legation and the attachés, was also present. The Prince was conducted by the King to the palace, escorted by a squadron of Guides.

The Princess of Wales, with her children, arrived at Marlborough House, on Monday, from Sandringham.

His Excellency Count Münster has returned to Prussia House from visiting the Duke and Duchess of Manchester at Kimbolton Castle, and the Earl and Countess of Rosslyn at Easton House, Essex.

The Duke and Duchess of Sutherland have arrived at Stafford House, St. James's, from Trentham.

The Duke of Bedford has arrived at his residence in Eatonsquare from Woburn Abbey.

The Marquis and Marchioness of Ripon have arrived at their residence in Carlton-gardens from Studley Royal.

The Marquis and Marchioness of Bute have arrived at the St. George's Hotel.

The Earl and Countess of Lichfield have arrived in town from Shugborough, Staffordshire.

The Earl and Countess of Glasgow and the Ladies Boyle have arrived in Hereford-gardens from their seat in Scotland. Earl Stanhope and Viscount and Viscountess Mahon have arrived at their residence, Grosvenor-place Houses.

The Earl of Kimberley has arrived at his residence in Belgrave-square from Killarney

The Earl de Grey, M.P., has left town for Egypt.

Lord Carlingford and Frances Countess Waldegrave arrived at their residence in Carlton-gardens on Saturday last from Strawberry-hill.

Viscount and Viscountess Cardwell have arrived at their residence in Eaton-square from Brighton.

Viscount and Viscountess de Vesci and Hon. Miss Vesey have returned to their residence on Carlton-house-terrace from

Count and Countess Batthyany and Mdlle. de Borneman have returned to Brown's Hotel from Belvoir Castle.

Count Nesselrode has returned to town from visiting the Duke and Duchess of Cleveland at Battle Abbey.

Lord Redesdale has arrived in town from Batsford Park, Moreton-in-the-Marsh, Gloucestershire.

Lord Winmarleigh has arrived at his residence in Hill-street, Berkeley-square, from Winmarleigh Hall, Lancashire.

The usual Ministerial banquets were given on the eve of the opening of Parliament, and the Countess de Jarnac was at home at the French Embassy for the diplomatic body.

A marriage is arranged, and will shortly take place, between Mr. Offley J. Crewe-Read, only son of Captain Crewe-Read, R.N., of Llandinam Hall, Montgomeryshire, and Stuarta Erskine, second daughter of the Hon. Edward M. Erskine, C.B., her Majesty's Minister at Stockholm.

THE LIBERAL LEADERSHIP.

Earl Granville, by common consent, succeeds Mr. Gladstone as the general Leader of the Liberal Party, and the Marquis of Hartington has been chosen to the post of Leader of the Liberals in the House of Commons—his election having been facilitated by Mr. W. E. Forster's announcement, in a letter published in Tuesday's papers, that he could not undertake the duties of the office, as he felt that he would not receive general support. The members who responded to Mr. Adam's invitation, and attended the meeting at the Reform Club, on Wednesday, were the following:—

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Mr. John Bright having been called to the chair; on the motion of Mr. Cowper-Temple and Mr. Dillwyn, the right hon. member for Birmingham made a brief speech to the effect that although the chief object of the gathering was to elect a leader, yet Liberal members would reserve to themselves perfect liberty of action. A resolution expressing hearty regret at Mr. Gladstone's retirement was then passed, on the motion of Mr. Whitbread and Mr. Fawcett; and the resolution that the Marquis of Hartington should be asked to accept the leadership of the Liberal party in the House of Commons was unanimously adopted, after speeches by Mr. Charles Villiers and Mr. S. Morley. Lord Frederick Cavendish said he had no doubt his brother would accept the office; and Mr. Bright, in acknowledging the vote of thanks to him as chairman, passed a warm and hearty eulogium on the Marquis of Hartington, concluding as follows: concluding as follows :-

He is, I am happy to say—I trust he will long continue to be—in robust health. He has plenty of courage, and he has, moreover, what in the north of England is called hard-headedness (Loud cheers). He is a very sensible man, and only requires great occasions to bring out his great good sense (Cheers). That being so othe position we have now offered him will be one that will give him the opportunity not only of personal distinction, but of conferring very great services upon his party. I may say that I look forward with considerable—I may say with very great—confidence to his future and to the success of the party in the future under him (Cheers). My own impression is that we have done the right thing at the right time and in the right manner (Loud cheers). If there be any here who know the sentiments of our late leader with respect to this question, I think they will agree with me when I say that what we have done will probably meet with his sympathy (Cheers). I only hope that the Liberal party in time to come—and I hope that time will not be a remote time—will, under our new leader, accomplish great things for the interests of the country, which I trust may fairly be put in competition with what has been done by our late leader (Loud cheers).

Some experiments with cotton gunpowder were made near Faversham on Wednesday, when the results accomplished by this new compound were most surprising. Its safety as well as its strength appeared to be clearly demonstrated.

The Lord Lieutenant of Ireland was present on Wednesday evening, at the inaugural banquet of the Lord Mayor of Dublin in the round-room of the Mansion House. In returning thanks for the toast of his health and prosperity to Ireland, his Grace, who was received with enthusiasm, reviewed the signs of improvement which the country exhibited. He referred with satisfaction to a diminution of ordinary crime and to the increase in material wealth and in the comfort of a large class of the population.

THE MEETING OF PARLIAMENT.

The Queen would have opened Parliam mt in person on Friday if the severe illness of Frince Leopold had not detained her Majesty at the Isle of Wight. Mr. Disraeli went down to Osborne, and had the honour of dining with her Majesty, on Tuesday. The Queen's Speech duly received the Royal sanction at a Privy Council at Osborne, on Thursday, and was to be read by Royal Commission in the House of Lords on Friday, too late to be recorded in our Early Edition. The usual Parliamentary dinners to the principal members of the Conservative and Liberal parties were given on Thursday night. We state and Liberal parties were given on Thursday night. We shall publish in our next Number portraits of the movers and seconders of the Address in reply to the Queen's Speech—Lord Donoughmore and Lord Rayleigh in the House of Lords; and the Hou. Edward Stanhope, member for Mid-Lincolnshire, and Mr. Whitelaw, member for Glasgow, in the House of Commons

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The position of Leader of the Liberal party in the House of Commons, to which the Marquis of Hartington has been raised, renders it interesting to trace the career which has culminated in such political eminence. As regards his personal antecedents, it may be said that he is the eldest son of the seventh Duke of Devonshire, by the fourth daughter of the sixth Earl of Carlisle. Having been born in 1833, he is in his forty-first year. He finished his education at Trinity College, Cambridge, where he graduated M.A. in 1854, and was created LL.D. in 1862. By tradition, and hereditarily, he was a Whigi politics; but now and again he has shown that he is something more; though it is probable that he owes his present elevation as deputy-chief of his party to his being what may be designated a moderate, but clasticy Liberal. The Cavendish interest, which is strong in North Lancashire, doubtless enabled him, while still quite young, to be returned, in 1857, member for that division of the county. As became a Parliamentary neophyte, he did not seek to put himself forward in the House; but an opportunity soon occurred for drawing him out of the "undistinguishable throng" of young members; for when, in 1859, it was resolved by the Liberal party to move a vote of noconfidence in the Derby-Disrateli Government, Lord Hartington was offered the distinction of proposing the resolution, which he accepted, and he discharged the duty with adequate force and due discretion. From that time until March, 1863, he remained a private and quiet member; but at that time the office of Civil Lord of the Admiralty in Lord Palmerston's second Ministry becoming vacant by the retirement of Mr. Stansfeld, the place was offered to and accepted by Lord Hartington. He did not long hold the post, for in the following May he was transferred to the Under-Secretaryship for War. He must have proved his efficiency, for in February, 1858, on the retirement of Lord Hartington received the appointment of Postmaster-General, with

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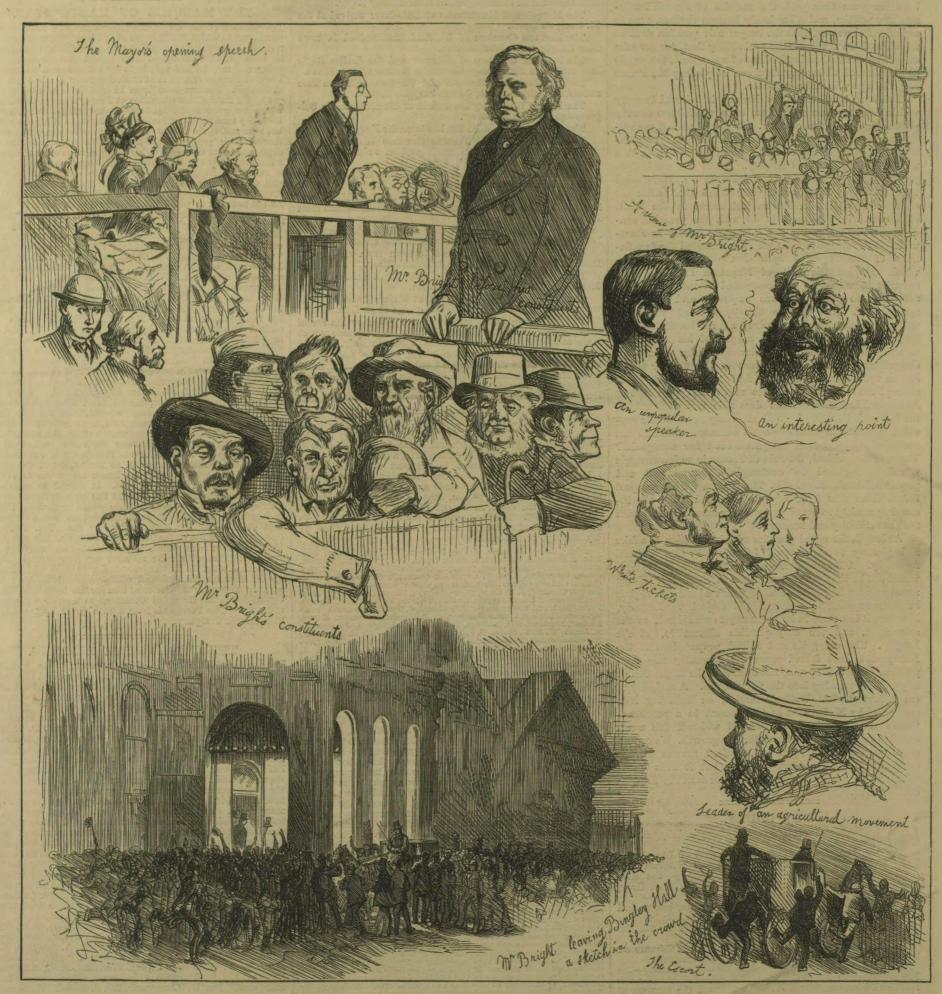
The speech of Mr. Bright, on Monday week, at the great Birmingham meeting of his political party was noticed in our last. It was in accordance with an annual custom in that town that the members for Birmingham—Messrs. Bright, Dixon, and Muntz—addressed their constituents that evening. Last year the Townhall was the selected meeting place, but on account of the great interest manifested with regard to Mr. Bright's appearance on this occasion, and the extraordinary number of applications, from all parts of the country, for places, it was found expedient to change the venue to the more spacious building known as Bingley Hall, in which Birmingham cattle shows are held. The arrangements for the accommodation of the public were very extensive. They included the provision of 9000 shares, in addition to ample standing space for nearly as many more. About one fourth of the hall was reserved for holders of tickets, which were issued at 2s. 6d. and 5s. each, the remainder being free. Long before the hour appointed for the opening of the meeting the whole of the vast area was packed with auditors, whose numbers, at a rough estimate, cannot have been less than 15,000. For the speakers a lofty platform was erected at one end of the building, surrounded by a sloping gallery, which was occupied by the members and officers of the committee of the Liberal Association. The Mayor (Alderman Joseph Chamberlain) presided, and among those present were the Mayoress (Mrs. Chamberlain), Mr. Bright, M.P., Mrs. Bright, Mr. Dixon, M.P., Mrs. Dixon, Mr. M. untz, M.P., Mr. J. S. Wright, Mr. W. L. Bright, Professor Fawcett, M.P., Mr. C. Harrison, M.P., Mr. J. Fletcher, M.P., Mr. A. Brogden, M.P., Mr. M. A. Bass, M.P., Mr. R. M. Carter, M.P., Mr. A. Brogden, M.P., Mr. M. A. Bass, M.P., Mr. R. M. Carter, M.P., Mr. A. Brogden, M.P., Mr. A. W. Peel, M.P., Mr. T. R. Hill, M.P., Mr. George Dawson, Mr. R. W. Dale, Mrs. Rogers, Miss Starge, Mr. A. Illingworth, Mr. H. Illingworth, Mr. J. Carvell Williams, the Town Clerk of Lond

It is stated that a Grand Cross of the Bath has been offered to Mr. Thomas Carlyle, and declined. It is further stated that a baronetcy has been offered to Mr. Tennyson, and that he also has rejected the dignity.

Mr. H. Petre, whose recent correspondence with the Roman Catholic Bishop of Salford respecting the Vatican Decrees will be remembered, presided last Saturday at a meeting held at Rishton, near Blackburn, in connection with the opening of a Conservative Club. He expressed his approval of the principles and objects of the institution, and promised help to its members in fulfilling their duties.

THE REVIVAL MEETINGS IN BIRMINGHAM. Some attention has during the winter months been attracted by a series of meetings for religious exhortation, held in several large towns in the north of England, after beginning in Ireland, by two American evangelists named Moody and Sankey. It appears from the testimony of those who have attended simply as observers of the proceedings, or rather with a disposition to criticise, that their extraordinary success in bringing vast congregations together, and the powerful outbursts of devout feeling awakened by their services, are nowise due to any fanatical violence of tone and manner, or to anything in language or in doctrine, exceeding the sober and measured utterances of an ordinary Christian pulpit. Mr. Moody, who

each instance to visit the town, have occasioned remarkable popular demonstrations of a revived interest in religion. Their proceedings usually consist of nothing more than a short familiar address, by Mr. Moody, upon the vital truths of the Christian faith, with illustrations from personal and social experience; or the reading of some passage from the New Testament, with an unpretending comment, likewise by Mr. Moody, which is preceded and followed by an informal prayer, with the singing of one or more hymns by Mr. Sankey, who has both voice and musical skill, accompanying himself on the harmonium. Their performance is said to be free from any grotesque or uncouth features of style and expression; but it is evident that these men are Americans of an average degree of culture, and that they have not studied the minute elegances of conven-



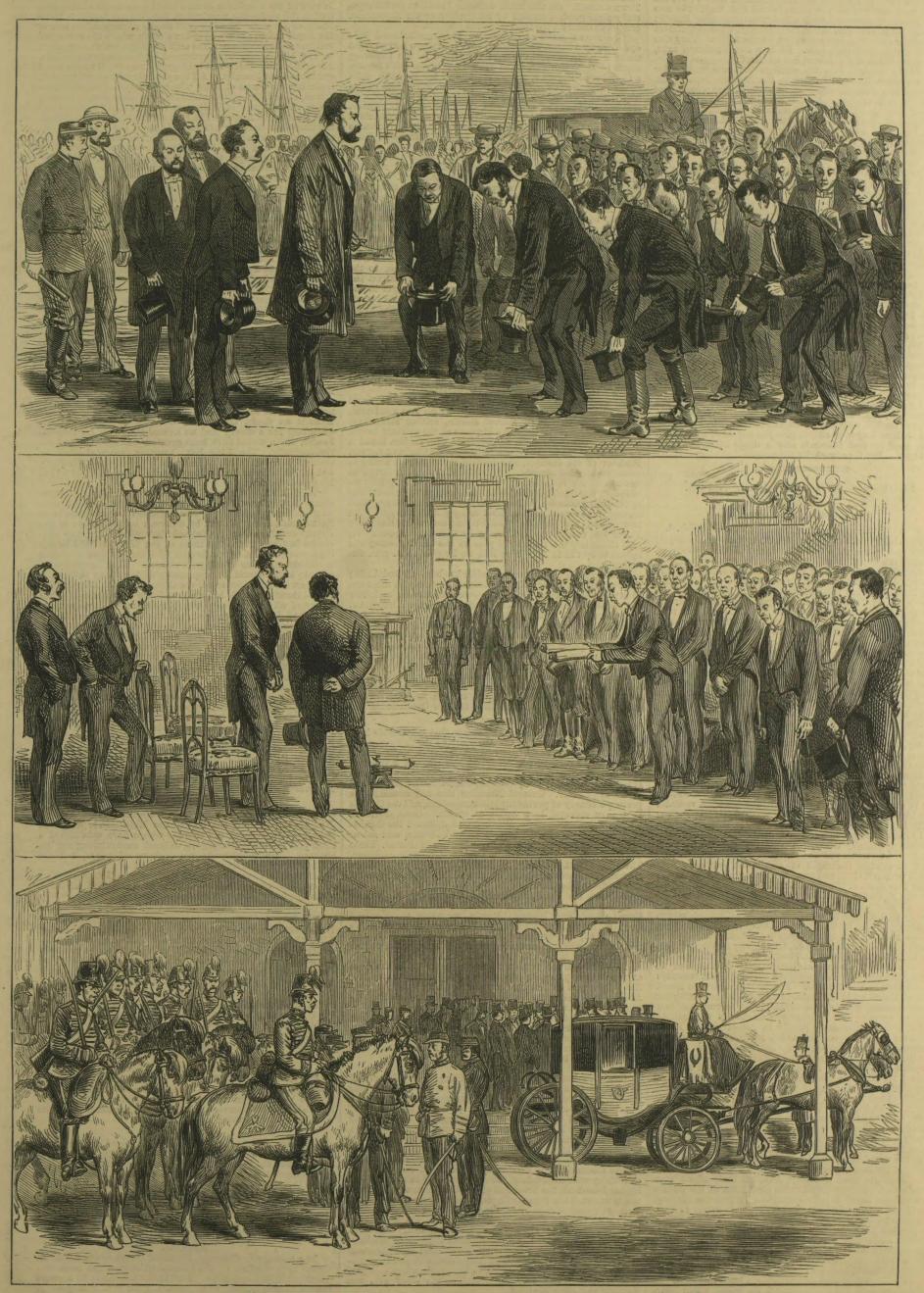
SKETCHES AT THE GREAT MEETING AT BINGLEY HALL, BIRMINGHAM.

tional aspect and address in the more exclusive circles of society. The purport of their message to the world is just the same that is, or should be delivered every Sunday by 50,000 ministers of different "denominations" in Christendom, and that may be read, without much difficulty of understanding what is meant, in the pastoral letters of St. Paul and St. John; while the difficulty of believing in too many cases is frankly confessed. It is, perhaps, to the epidemic of human sympathy with a great earnestness of determination, of strenuous will, and spiritual aspiration that the sudden "conversion," as it is called, of hundreds of people at these meetings is to be ascribed; but some entertain a different view of the matter, as is stated but some entertain a different view of the matter, as is stated in a report from Birmingham. "The Holy Spirit is in this place," said Mr. Moody last Sunday, with quiet confidence; and everybody believed him. The two evangelists return to Liverpool this week, and will there open, on Sunday morning,

The Japanese nation and Government are just now exulting in their diplomatic victory over the Empire of China. The dispute between these two Powers about the piratical outrages on the coast of Formosa, which provoked a Japanese force to land there, has been settled, without a war, by the Chinese agreeing to pay the Japanese a money compensation. The Japanese special envoy, named Okubo, by whom this affair was successfully negotiated, was greeted on his return, on Nov. 27, with particular tokens of regard, both at Yokohama, the port of Yedo, and in the capital city, which is joined to Yokohama

by a short line of railway. Our clever artist and correspondent there, Mr C. Wirgman, has sent us a few sketches of the proceedings on this occasion. For the sake of the picturesque in costume, he regrets the present rage in Japan for our European fashion of dress. He writes in the following strain about the reception of his Excellency Mr. Okubo:—

"It was a sad sight, the day before, to see the native officials, clad in evening dress, walking about and waiting for him all day in the pouring rain. The weather was bitterly cold; and it seems that great coats are not considered full dress, though heavy boots reaching up to the knees are. You must know that it has been decreed that in future the swallow-tail coat, white choker, white kid gloves, and stove-pipe hat shall be the full-dress costume for Young Japan. But on the 27th the weather cleared up, and it was a beautiful day. At half-past seven in the morning the booming of guns announced



1. Lin ling of the lapinese Envoy at Yokohama. 2. Reading an address to Okubo in the Townhall, Yokohama. 3. Arrival of Okubo at the railway station, Jeddo.

PEACE BETWEEN CHINA AND JAPAN: SKETCHES BY OUR SPECIAL ARTIST AT YOKOHAMA.

his arrival; so, hastily swallowing some soup and a cup of tea, I rushed down to the jetty and arrived just in time to see the great man emerge from the steam-launch and land. He also was in evening dress, but wore a brown overcoat over it. He took off his tall hat and bowed most affably to the deputation of swallow-tails, who had assembled to meet him. They also bowed and took off their hats. He is a fine handsome man, with moustaches and whiskers, but no beard.

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him, and drove through the town to the Finance Department, followed by numerous carriages filled with Japanese, all, of course, in evening dress. Having remained there some time, he went to the Townhall, where a deputation of several hundreds of merchants, all in black coats, had assembled to read him their addresses of congratulation concerning his successful mission to China. He replied to the addresses and went into the banqueting-hall, where he refreshed himself, with his critical control of the course.

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"From the Townhall he went to Takashimaya's, the author of gas in Japan, and at a quarter to one o'clock took the train for Jeddo. At Jeddo the policemen in full uniform received him and escorted him to his carriage. Outside the station an escent of cavalry awaited him, and the file of carriages drove up the new Boulevard des Italiens to a Government office, and there to the relace where he was received by the Mikada or thence to the palace, where he was received by the Mikado, or

Emperer.
Both towns were decorated for the occasion with flags and "Both towns were decorated for the occasion with flags and lanterns; but the capital was not nearly so well got up as the port. In Yokohama processions of allegorical cars, drawn by oxen, paraded the streets all the afternoon. Theatrical performances in mat sheds amused the delighted and good-tempered crowd; and in the evening the Townhall and other public buildings were illuminated with gas, just as in London. This was only in the native town; for we foreigners in Yokohama haven't even our streets lighted with oil, whilst the native town has gas lamps even in the meanest streets. What do you think of that? The feasting and drumming were kept up all the following day and part of the night; and thus ended the rejoicings. The return of the troops from Formosa will be the grand event, and I will send you the description, with illustrations thereof; they will not be here for about a month. It will be very grand, according to all accounts; the Emperor will review them. He now wears European clothes, with cocked hat and feathers; so I am sorry that I shall no longer be able to give you any more scenes with couleur tocale, for that colour is now a dingy black, thanks to civil sation. But thus much for the present."

FOREIGN AND COLONIAL NEWS. FRANCE.

(From our Correspondent in Paris.)

Thursday, Feb. 4.

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The French Republicans would do well to bear in mind just now the good oid proverb that tells us not to halloo before we are out of the wood. We have had a most exciting week—a series of the most turbulent and momentous debates on the long-talked-of Constitutional measures; and the Versailles Long Parliament has reluctantly recognised, by a majority of one vote, the legal existence of the Republic. The Democratic journals show themselves over-joyful at this result, and look upon the maintenance of the present form of government as acsured; but they would do well to remember how unstable are the majorities in the National Assembly, and how slight a change in the dispositions of a few members would suffice to wreck their hopes. At the present hour it is still impossible to say what kind of a Constitution is in store for us; still, taking into account the conciliatory inclination shown by the Chamber during the last few days, we may presume that it will be more during the last few days, we may presume that it will be more or less Republican.

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It was M. de Carayon Latour who opened the series of exciting debates which we have had on the constitutional measures with a violently-worded Royalist declaration, said to have been prepared by the Count de Chambord himself. Next came an unimportant speech from the Vicomte de Meaux in favour of Marshal de MacMahon, followed by an eloquent address from M. Lucien Brun, the best of the Legitimist spokesmen, who was succeded at the tribune by the Due de Broglie, with a few discreetly-worded observations in reference to the famous law of Nov. 20. The Bonapartists then forced M. Raoul Duval on to the breach, and when, after prating for an hour concerning the appeal to the people, he eventually sat down, up sprang that ridiculous monomaniae General du Temple, with a melancholy homily in favour of the King. Then came a timid speech from General de Chabaud Latour, deferentially communicating the views and desires of the fallen Ministry; and eventually Jules Favre stepped the Monarchy eventually returned in the baggage-waggons of the enemy. Legitimists and Bonapartists alike continually the enemy. Legitimists and Bonapartists alike continually assailed him with vociferous interruptions, but he was not to be put down, and concluded his speech amid the enthusiastic plaudits of the entire Republican party. Of course one or two ardent Royalists tried to answer him, but their efforts were ludicrous in the extreme; and at the conclusion of the debate the accord reading of the Constitutional project was resolved upon by 557 ayes against 146 noes. The Left seems to have their glit, however, that Jules Favre's pardonable violence might the rive certain timid Sentennatists whose support it was anxious ther ght, however, that Jules Favre's pardonable violence might territy certain timid Septennatists whose support it was anxious to secure; and accordingly, on the occasion of the discussion on the second reading of the Senate bill, Jules Simon did his best to atone for any objectionable excess of language of which his colleague might have been guilty. The second reading of the Senate Bill was, I may add, voted by a large majority. At this juncture there was an interlude in the battle, which interlude comprised a couple of sittings—the first taken up with a singularly mild debate on the prosaic but important sub-

ject of lucifer-matches; and the second, with a turbulent and confused discussion apropos of the suspension of the Marseilles Town Council. On this latter occasion President Buffet especially distinguished himself by calling five or six Republican orators to order on the most frivolous pretexts.

The second series of debates on the Constitutional bills opened with a Republican defeat, M. Laboulaye had brought forward an amendment to clause 1 couched in the following words:—"The Government of France is composed of a Senate, a Chamber of Deputies, and a President of the Republic, chief of the executive power." This proposition was considered to imply the proclamation of the Republic, and, as a natural consequence, did not find favour with the Right of the Chamber. Intense excitement was occasioned by that determined mischief-maker Louis Blanc declaring that the extreme Radicals were also opposed to it. Twenty-four hours later, however, when the vote—which President Buffet, with his customary partiality, had postponed—was taken, these latter were led to the table, as if to sacrifice, and recorded their votes in favour of Laboulaye's amendment. Still, it did not find sufficient supporters, and was eventually thrown out by a majority of 24. It was at this juncture that M. Wallon brought forward his henceforth famous motion, to prevent the adoption of which ex-Premier de Proglie, still hankering after the Vice-Presidency of the Council, employed every possible ruse and artifice. He drew up a preamble completely destroying the significance of M. Wallon's words, and dispatched one of his acolytes—M. Desjardins—to the tribune with an appeal, in extremis, to the Assembly not to vote this dangerous amendment without the adjunction of his prefix. Upon the latter being put to the vote by itself it found, however, but 129 partisans in the whole chamber—a complete and overwhelming defeat for the hypocritical and unscrupulous statesman whom Marshal de Mac Mahon has exclusively to thank for all his unpopularity. Intense excitem

amendment, the success of which seemed doubtful; but eventually, after several hours' suspense, during which all the bulletins were carefully verified, President Buffet proclaimed its adoption by 553 votes against 552. The Assembly had at length recogn'sed the existence of the Republic.

Monday's sitting, at which clause 2 of the constitutional project was discussed, was noteworthy only for an amendment, brought forward by M. Marcel Barthe, setting forth that "the President of the Republic disposes of the military forces, but cannot command them in person." This motion found a violent opponent in the person of General de Chabaud Latour, Minister of the Interior, who accused its author of trying to interdict Marshal de MacMahon from drawing his sword in defence of his country. "Were such a motion adopted," he added, "the Marshal would at once resign." After some minor stars had indulged in a little sparring over the proposed clause, it was withdrawn without being put to the vote. An amendment that Versailles should be the seat of the Executive Power was carried on Wednesday by 332 votes against 327, Power was carried on Wednesday by 332 votes against 327, and ultimately the motion to pass to the third reading was agreed to by 521 to 181. The Duc de Broglie voted with the

Although the interest of the public has been centred during the week in the doings of the National Assembly, it must not be supposed that Paris neglects its own amusements to follow the debates of the Legislature. Indeed, the recent important decisions of the Chamber have not provoked the slightest constitution, they seem to have hear in some measure expected. decisions of the Chamber have not provoked the slightest sensation—they seem to have been in some measure expected. The season is now at its height, and each evening brings its ball or reception in the grand monde; while as regards the theatres almost all this winter's novelties have proved astonishing successes. During the past few days we have had at the Palais de l'Industrie the customary annual cattle show, which is becoming with the Parisians as much an institution as the familiar display at Islington is with us. On Sanday there is to be a grand charity ball at the new Opera house.

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It appears from Madrid despatches that movements have at length been begun by the Army of the North against the Carlists. General Loma has crossed the Ozia, after having carried all the enemy's positions, and has effected a junction with General Blanco's division from Zaranz. He afterwards achieved a brilliant victory over the Carlist leader Egana, and took him prisoner. General Moriones also has succeeded in passing a convoy of provisions into Pampeluna, and the Carlists have been defeated in a battle at Oteiza. General Loma, having landed at Guetaria, attacked and defeated the Carlists near that place. He afterwards entered Zaranz, and set at liberty the captain and crew of the German brig Gustav. Three important posts of the Carlists in Carascal have been captured. The King is with the army, playing the military monarch, and is reported to have sent away his cook, declaring that he would fare as the soldiers fared.

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A letter has been addressed by the Emperor William to King Alfonso, accrediting Count Hatzfeld to his Majesty as German Minister at Madrid; Russia, according to an official despatch received at Madrid, has recognised King Alfonso's Government; and by the confirmation of Count Ludolf's postion as Austra Hungarian Envoy to Spain recognition so the tion as Austro-Hungarian Envoy to Spain, recognition on the part of Austria is regarded as an accomplished fact. Don Carlos is said to have received a letter from the Pope

expressing sympathy for him, but advising him to reconsider the propriety of continuing the war, reminding him that King Alfonso has vindicated the dignity of the Church and recog-

nised the rights of the clergy.

News of a severe engagement in Cuba has been received in New York. The insurgents attacked the town of Gibara, destroyed the forts, burnt many of the houses, and forced the garrison to surrender, heavy losses on both sides. but spared their lives.

Garibaldi had an interview with King Victor Emmanuel last Saturday, and was very warmly received. Scarcely any allusion was made to politics. The principal subject of conversation was Garibaldi's scheme for diverting the course of versation was Garibaldi's scheme for diverting the course of the Tiber and improving the Campagna. His Majesty promised to use his influence with the Government to obtain a five per cent guarantee for the undertaking. No one else was present except Menotti Garibaldi. When Garibaldi departed the King accompanied him to the hall door, and military efficers escorted him to his carriage. Garibaldi was presented on Sunday with the cards of the deputies—260 in number—by Signor Biancheri, the President of the Chamber, and he afterwards returned the President's visit, and said that the present were the grandest days of his life. Subsequently the General was visited by the members of the Bureaux. On Wednesday Garibaldi had an interview with Signor Minghetti.

In the Chamber of Deputies the chief subject of Wednesday's discussion was an interpellation addressed to the Government with regard to some recent disturbances at Genoa in con-

ment with regard to some recent disturbances at Genoa in connection with religious instruction in the public schools. Signor

Minghetti presented bills for providing the army with war material and other supplies.

Yesterday week the Pope received a deputation of Belgian Catholics, who presented him with an address and 200,000f.

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All Brussels was astir at an early hour on Thursday morning in view of the auspicious event which has occupied all thoughts during the week—the marriage of the Princess Louise to Duke Philip of Saxony. The Pall Mall Gazette correspondent was at the Royal palace shortly after ten o'clock, where the scene was brilliant in the extreme. The civil marriage, which took place in the blue room, was performed by the Burgomaster, Mr. Anspach. The bride and bridegroom responded to the usual questions most heartily. All the princely personages present, including the Count of Paris, who had recovered sufficiently to attend, signed the register. The company wore simple evening dress. The Prince of Wales was in a general's uniform and wore white satin favours. The civil ceremony being concluded, the illustrious company passed into one of the drawing-rooms of the palace, which had been transformed into a chapel for the occasion, and here the religious service was performed by Monsignor Dechamps, the Archbishop of Malines, assisted by his Vicars-General and the Dean of St. Gudule's. His Grace delivered a most impressive address on the sanctity of marriage. The company withdrew from the chapel to the large drawing-room in front of the palace. After a little while the Royal party stepped out into the balcony, where they were enthusiastically cheered by an immense concourse which had assembled. Then came the wedding breakfast.

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A number of Belgian ladies have sent a magnificent bouquet to the Princess from Nice, and the English colony at Brussels drew up and signed an address of congratulation to her Royal Highness.

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Twenty thousand francs were voted by the municipality of Brussels for payment of a week's rent for the poor of the city.

The Pall-Mall Gazette correspondent says:—"There can be no people more devoted to the dynasty than the Belgians, and there is no doubt that if the Government had asked the Chambers for a dowry and an annual allowance for Princess Louise, these would have been granted unanimously and enthusiastically. The King has, however, resolved that no demand of the sort shall be made, and that dowry, allowances, and all the expenses of the marriage are to be defrayed out of his private fortune."

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when the late King of the Belgians was making arrangements for the marriage of his son, the present monarch, with an Austrian Archduchess, it was suggested that an old national Netherlands custom should be observed by the names of the Royal couple being proclaimed beforehand for two successive Sundays from the front of the Hôtel de Ville by the burgomaster of the city, a flourish of trumpets first sounding to call the attention of all good citizens. King Leopold consented; but, to avoid all appearance of inequality before the law, he would only do so on condition that the burgomaster should shout out, with his son's and the future Queen's, the names of all other couples whose matrimonial arrangements were fixed for the same day; and this was done accordingly. The present King decided to dispense with even this long-honoured formality in the present case, and strictly followed the ordinary Belgian civil law by having the names of his daughter and her bridegroom posted on the gate of the Hôtel de Ville, in the middle of the usual list. There are about sixty couples inscribed in this list; and directly after the names of "Florian Abs, butler, and Agnes Schiffer, cook," and before those of "Isidore Fuchs, market-gardener, and Augusta Weinbrenner, of no profession," appears the official entry, as No. 25 in the list, of the coming marriage of "S. A. R. Prince Ferdinand-Philippe-Raphael de Cobourg and Gotha" with "S. A. R. Madame la Princesse" (this being the only distinction of title preserved) "Louise-Marie-Amelie, domiciliée à Bruxelles." Of course, this notice did not interfere with the publication of the usual religious banns which took place simultaneously, at the Chapel Royal of St. Jacques; for in Belgium the invariable custom is to use both forms.

HOLLAND.

The Government has received a despatch dated Acheen, Jan. 26, stating that the flag of the Netherlands has been hoisted at Poelockajol, and that the troops have established a fresh post at Poengeiblangtjoet without encountering any resistance. The inhabitants are desirous of peace, but are incited to war by their chiefs.

A despatch from Batavia, of Wednesday's date, announces an eruption of the volcano Kloet, in the island of Java, whereby great destruction has been caused at Blitar.

AUSTRO-HUNGARY.

We learn by telegram from the Times' correspondent at Buda-Pesth that in the Budget debate on Wednesday morning, Tisze, the leader of the Left, made a declaration accepting unreservedly the compromise of 1867 with Austria. It produced a great sensation, and has smoothed the way for the formation of a Coalition Ministry, which, supported by both great parties, will more easily overcome the financial difficulties.

GERMANY.

In the German Parliament, on Saturday last, the Imperial Bank Bill was read the third time and passed, an amendment by Herr Lasker to one of the clauses being adopted. The bill was also carried on the final vote by a large majority. The Imperial Message declaring the Session closed was then read, and the House dispersed with cheers for the Emperor.

SWEDEN AND NORWAY.

The Norwegian Storthing was opened at Christiania on Tuesday. The Speech from the Throne announced that bills will be presented in favour of Norway joining the Daneo-Swedish monetary convention, and for the introduction of the metrical system of weights and measures.

RUSSIA.

The Grand Dukes Sergius and Paul arrived on Sunday at Berlin from San Remo, and, after paying a visit to the Emperor William and the Crown Prince, went on to St. Petersburg.

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A despatch from St. Petersburg announces that the reply of the British Government to the Russian circular of Sept. 26, proposing that the conference on the usages of war should reassemble in St. Petersburg, arrived there a few days ago. In this reply the conclusion arrived at is, that England anticipates no practical result from any further discussion of the matter. Consequently, no English representative will be sent.

AMERICA.

In a message to Congress, President Grant recommends an annual appropriation for the purpose of arming the coast fortifications with heavy guns. Part of the scheme is to convert the old 10-inch smooth bore Rodman guns into rifle guns of

The Senate has passed a bill appointing a commission to

accertain the rights of some British subjects to certain lands

in the territory awarded to the United States by the Emperor of Germany as arbitrator in the San Juan question.

The Senate in its sitting of Wednesday rejected the proposed Canadian Reciprocity Treaty without a division.

The House of Representatives, in order to facilitate the passage of the Civil Rights Bill, has prohibited the introduction of dilatory motions. of dilatory motions. General Sheridan has left New Orleans.

King Kalakua has left the States to return to Hawaii.

The New York papers report that extraordinary excitement exists in California in consequence of the discovery of a mountain of silver ore in Nevada.

INDIA.

On the invitation of the Viceroy the Maharajah of Jeypore and the Scindiah have consented to sit on the commission for the trial of the Guicowar of Baroda, which is to commence about the middle of the present month.

Full amends have been made by the Duffla chiefs, all the captives taken by them being restored and the fines imposed on them being paid. The campaign against them has therefore terminated peaceably, and the expedition is now engaged in surveying the country. in surveying the country

AUSTRALIA.

The New South Wales Parliament has been opened by the Governor. The Ministry were defeated on the motion for the address in reply to the Governor's speech, and resigned.

CHINA

Official notification of the death of the Emperor has been made at Shanghai. He died, it is stated, from an attack of smallpox, which is making great ravages in Pekin. Resort to foreign doctors had been persistently declined. According to a private telegram received in London, the Empress has committed suicide through grief for the loss of her husband. A boy three years old has been proclaimed Emperor, and the Empress-mother has been appointed Regent.

· The Servian Ministry has resigned, and a new one has been formed, M. Stefanovitz being the new Premier.

The Agent-General for New Zealand has received advices of the safe arrival in that colony of the Clarence, the Carnatic, Crusader, Margaret Galbraith, and Nelson emigrant-ships.

The University of Leyden will celebrate, on Monday next, the tercentenary of its foundation by William the Silent. Thirty-three foreign Universities are to be represented.

Tuesday's Gazette announces that the honour of knighthood has been conferred on Mr. Joseph George Long Innes, Attorney-General of New South Wales.

The post of Consul at St. Petersburg, lately vacated by Mr. T. Michell, has been offered to and accepted by his brother, Mr. J. Michell, now living at Vyborg.

The President of the Argentine Republic, having quelled the insurrection, was, when the last mail left, about to open some new railway sections. The goods traffic on the lines already at work is reported to be very great.

In consequence of an outbreak of cattle plague at Malta, the powers of the Executive there have been extended to prevent the spread of infection, and orders have been given to place ships from certain Eastern ports in quarantine.

Sir Hercules Robinson, Governor of New South Wales, is gazetted a K.C.M.G.; and Mr. W. E. Frere, lately senior member of two commissions of inquiry, has been appointed a Companion of the same distinguished order.

Prince Louis of Hesse, while staying at Blankenberghe last August, rescued a person from drowning, and, in recognition of his bravery, the Belgian Civic Cross of the First Class has just been awarded him.

A writer in Le Jockey says that the forests in the Aube have been invaded by boars and wolves. In a district extending some twenty leagues, six he wolves and two she wolves have been shot within about a month.

Two Belgian Ultramontane journals which had accused the Brussels *Echo du Parlement* of having sold itself to Germany have each been sentenced to pay £200 damages, and to publish the judgment in ten newspapers.

Some idea of the loftiness attained by trees of the genus Eucalyptus may be formed (says the *Garden*) when it is stated that some of the specimens of the E. amygdalina measured by Baron von Müller, the Government Botanist of Victoria, would overtop the cross on St. Paul's Cathedral.

The second and last day's sale of the celebrated Salamanca collection of pictures took place at Paris last week. The highest prices realised were for some paintings by Velasquez, three of which realised 17,000f., 19,300f., and 49,806f. respectively. The total amount of the two days' sale was 336,485f.

The Times announces the death of Mr. George Finlay, its correspondent at Athens. He was one of the stanchest supporters of the cause of Greek independence, and was probably the last survivor of that small band of enthusiasts who went out to Greece to join Lord Byron and the Philhellenes.

The Queen Dowager of Bavaria, who recently joined the Roman Catholic Church, has ordered the construction, at her own expense, of a new Catholic church at Munich, which will cost 340,000 marks (£17,000). The Municipal Council of Munich had refused previously to construct the church, as the town has already quite sufficient church accommodation.

An interesting archæological discovery has been made at the watering-place of Bourbonne-les-Bains, in the department of Haute-Marne. In cleansing the reservoir of the thermal waters, over 4000 bronze coins or medals and a few gold coins have been extracted from the mire. The gold coins have the diameter of an English florin, and bear the effigies of Nero, Honorius, Hadrian, and Faustina Senior.

Scme interesting details of the rescue of the survivors of the Cospatrick have been given by the captain of the British Sceptre, which did that service, and which arrived at Dundee on Saturday night. Indications of a wreck had been seen for some days before the castaways were found, but a squall prevented their being discovered sooner. The captain differs from the survivors as to the spot where the vessel was burnt, and is of opinion that the other boat's crew will never be heard of.

It is notified in the Gazette that the British settlements of It is notified in the Gazette that the British settlements of Sierra Leone on the Gambia have been formed into one Government, to be called the West African Settlements. Mr. C. H. Kortright is appointed to the governorship.—A Reuter's telegram from Cape Coast Castle announces that King Coffee has "retired to his country seat," and been succeeded by Quamvali. A report was current at the Coast that another tribe had revolted against the Ashantees. Great dissatisfaction prevails among the native kings and chiefs in connection with the abolition of slavery, and a petition on the subject has been sent to the Governor. been sent to the Governor.

THE VOLUNTEERS.

In accordance with the War Office regulations, alterations are being made in the uniforms of volunteer corps, to assimilate them as much as possible with those of regular troops.

Sir Henry Peek, Bart., M.P., was present, yesterday week, the distribution of prizes to members of the 12th Surrey at Kingston.

The fourteenth annual distribution of prizes to the successful competitors in the 20th Middlesex took place yesterday week, in the general meeting room, Euston Station, under the presidency of Lieutenant-Colonel Malet. There was a large attendance of members and their friends. Previous to the distribution of the prizes, by Mrs. Malet, the chairman addressed a few observations to those present. To Bugle-Major Williams fell the honour of receiving the battalion prize, presented by the Duke of Sutherland, consisting of a gold watch value 10 gs. Colonel Bigge and Colonel Ives having briefly addressed the meeting, the hall was cleared, and preparations made for the annual ball, which almost immediately began after the termination of the distribution. began after the termination of the distribution.

The Duke of Westminster, K.G., commanding the Queen's (Westminster), will preside at the annual distribution of the prizes won by the corps this (Saturday) evening, in Westminster Hall. It is anticipated that the Duchess of Westminster will present the prizes.

The members of the match committee of the 1st Sussex held their annual meeting at Brighton on Wednesday, when a satisfactory report was presented.

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The annual soirée and presentation of prizes of the 23rd Lancashire (Ashton-under-Lyne) took place, last Saturday evening, in the spacious drill-room of the regiment, which was beautifully decorated for the occasion. About 1200 people were present, including the volunteers. Colonel Mellor read the annual report, which showed that the enrolled strength of the regiment for the past year was 450, and of this number 447 were efficient; and that nine of the officers and twenty-one sergeants had passed their examinations and obtained certificates of proficiency. The attendance of the several companies at drill had been very good. The first prize for highest individual attendance was won by Private Squire Marsland, and Corporal Crichton came second. and Corporal Crichton came second.

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Lady Burdett-Coutts, in a letter to the *Times*, calls attention to the practice of using birds and birds' feathers as ornaments. The question, her Ladyship says, "is one of great interest to naturalists, apart from the objects of the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. One race which might be termed the gems of bird life will, in all probability, become exterminated. Professor Tomlinson made last year a communication to the ladies' committee of which I am president stating that 40,000 of these minute and beautiful creatures had been consigned to one house alone, and, as the area within which they live is very one house alone, and, as the area within which they live is very restricted, the result must be extinction. Our committee took advantage of Lord Cochrane's visit to the South American Republics for the purpose of inaugurating among a grateful people a statue in memory of his grandfather, the great Admiral, to intrust him with a petition to the Empress of Brazil, whose Court he was to visit on his way, on behalf of her treatly and brilling traphicats retitioning law to and awayer to small and brilliant subjects, petitioning her to endeavour to secure to them a close season." Lady Burdett-Coutts asks those who regulate the fashions whether they could not rather encourage the ribbon trade, now much wanting support, or the trade in artificial flowers, or imitations of birds in silk or jewellery, "than a mode of ornamentation which must suggest a bloodstain on the delicate hat or cap, and has silenced the joy-song in the breast of a fluttering, harmless creature."

ACCIDENTS AND OFFENCES.

The La Plata Relief Fund has closed with a total of £4000. While some boys in the Oldham Bluecoat School were playing with a gun which had carelessly been left within their reach, on Sunday morning, the piece went off, and one of the lads, named Hazleton, was killed on the spot.

A bad case of hydrophobia is reported from Preston. A man named William Hodge, after returning home from work on Thursday week, complained of a severe pain in his right arm. A surgeon who was called in, having noticed a peculiar mark on the arm, suspected that the man had at some time been bitten by a dog. His fears were verified next day, when Hodge went raving mad, fell into convulsions, and foamed at the mouth. He was removed to the infirmary with great difficulty, two or three strong men being scarcely able to restrain him, and died in great agony on Saturday morning.

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Lord Ellenborough's mansion at Holly Springs has been broken into and robbed of a quantity of valuable property.

A telegram from Madeira states that the African Steam-ship Company's steamer the Soudan, having left that harbour without a pilot, ran ashore and became a total wreck. Before starting she was delayed three hours signalling for a pilot, without effect.

The Board of Trade Inquiry into the loss of the Liverpool steam-ship Zorilla has resulted in the Court finding that the master was not in default, and his certificate has been returned to him.—The inquiry into the loss of the schooner Fanny recently, in Tramore Bay, was concluded yesterday week. The Court decided that the vessel had been lost through the negligence and drunkenness of the captain, and suspended his certificate for three years.

The Famiglia cotton stores of the Viceroy of Egypt's Daira have been burnt. The exact amount of the damages has not been ascertained, but it is estimated at more than £30,000.

Archbishop Manning has published a pamphlet in reply to Mr. Gladstone's "Expostulation," with a view to show that the recent Vatican decrees have in no way affected the allegiance of Catholics to the civil power.

The largest iron screw pile which has ever been manufactured has been east at the Royal gun factories at Woolwich. It is to form part of the main foundation of the great crane which is to be fixed on the new iron pier at the Royal Arsenal.

An extraordinary meeting of the Lincolnshire Agricultural An extraordinary meeting of the Incommire Agricultural Society was held at Lincoln, yesterday week, to secure, if possible, the summer exhibition of the Royal Agricultural Society being held next year at that city. Mr. E. Heneage presided. It was resolved that the county society should contribute £1000 towards the necessary local guarantee fund, which has derived £1200 from other sources. A portion of the West Common and the racecourse has been offered as a site for the execute how free of charge. for the great show free of charge.—At the annual meeting of the Cambridgeshire and Isle of Ely Agricultural Society, held in the county town last Saturday, Mr. Edward Hicks presiding, it was resolved to accept the invitation to hold the next show at Wisbech in September.

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The entry of Alfonso XII., the young King of Spain, into the city of Madrid on Thursday, the 14th ult., was an occasion for a great display of popular feeling. He came by railway from Aranjuez, where he had stopped the night before on his road from the seaport town of Valencia. The Atocha Railway Station at Madrid, as well as the Atocha Church (a place associated with all the auspicious events of Spanish Royalty), and of course the Prado, the Calle de Alcala, and all the streets on the King's line of progress, were decorated with flags, draperies, and streamers. But what chiefly attracted attention was a lofty triumphal arch in the Calle de Alcala, half-way between the Prado and the Puerta del Sol, near the Café Suizo, where the street, from a broad hill, becomes nearly level, just as the thoroughfare narrows from a grand avenue to a moderatesized street. The Prado and the Calle de Alcala are the Via Sacra or Via Triumphalis of Madrid. Along this route in former years marched O'Donnell and Narvaez, now dead, and Espartero, nearly dying; in later times, Serrano, Topete and Prim, then King Amadeo, and, one after the other, at a few days' interval, the revolutionary chiefs. On the occasion of Prim's entrance, he and his cortége came up from the Calle de Alcala into the Puerta del Sol, and hence turned again towards the Prado by the Carrera de Geronimo, a street which equals in many respects the grandeur of the Alcala, and is an almost parallel thoroughfare. The King in this instance took a more direct route from the Church of Atocha, along the Prado, and up the Calle de Alcala to the Puerta del Sol, and thence by the Calle Mayor and the Plaza de Armas to the Alcazar, or Royal Palace, in the Plaza de Oriente.

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The King was met at the station by the Ministry, the Generals, the civil and religious corporations, and numerous deputations of official bodies. The people outside continually cheered the Royal procession to the Atocha Church. After a Te Deum, the procession went along to the palace. The whole route was lined with troops and by dense but most orderly crowds. The houses displayed their colgaduras or festive hangings at every window or balcony. Noble mansions, such as that of the Duke de Sesto and the Marquis de Vista-Lermosa, had their arms beautifully embroidered on the draperies, and some had very large tapestries, copies of Raphael's cartoons or other great classical pictures. All this, with the flags and huge garlands of flowers, gave the streets an indescribably gay and festive appearance. The arch in the Calle de Alcala, though the marble of the pillars and the bronze of its equestrian statue of Don Alfonso were mere pasteboard and varnished plaster, looked stately and handsome seen at a distance from below, at the Alcala Gate. The same may be said of another arch erected on the Plaza de Armas near the palace, and of a third arch in the Calle Mayor, with flags and garlands beautifully interwoven.

Our Illustration shows the Royal pageant winding its way through the triumphal arch in the Calle de Alcala. First came the inevitable half-squadrons of Civil Guards to clear the way; then a cluster of Aides-de-Camps; then the young King alone, riding a handsome, gentle, milk-white charger, in the same plain uniform he wore at Valencia. The Royal youth was flushed with excitement, his face beaming with a joy he did not attempt to dissemble. He rode on, saluting to the right and to the left, doffing his cap to high and low. The thunders of "vivas!" rent the air, and an emotion baffling description seemed to convulse the myriads of spectators. Anything more un

After the arrival at the palace and the official reception, After the arrival at the palace and the official reception, the King went down the grand staircase to the outside of the palace, where he mounted his horse and presented himself to the troops of all arms, who cheered as their officers saluted. A few officers, it was observed, omitted the salute. First came a few battalions of Royal Cadets, probably reminding their Sovereign of the little time that has elapsed since he also was mustering in the ranks with youths following the same military avaranticeship in a foreign country: then several battalions mustering in the ranks with youths following the same military apprenticeship in a foreign country; then several battalions of Infantry, of Engineers. of Civil Guards; a regiment of Pontoniers, several batteries of Artillery, then squadrons of Lancers, Hussars and Dragoons, both the Mountain Artillery and Cavalry riding past at full gallop. The troops came on all shouting "vivas" to the King as they passed him; the officers waved their swords high above their heads by way of salute; the flags were lowered to the ground till they swept the dust; to all which signs of homage the young King answered by raising his hand to his cap. With such ceremonies was the son and heir of Isabella II. brought back to the Palace of Madrid, for centuries the home of his dynasty.

At the Liverpool Town Council on Wednesday, a letter was read from Mr. Alderman Bennett offering £3000 towards the establishment of an aquarium at Liverpool, the disconnection of sewer gas from the houses, and a series of firing experiments to test the local water supply.

The Shipwrecked Mariners' Society clothed, fel, and forwarded to their homes 690 persons who were shipwreckel during the late disastrous gales; and also relieved 805 widows and parents, at a cost to the society for the month of January alone of £3642. Last year 10,028 persons were relieved.

The Academy states that an account of the most important geographical discovery yet achieved by any of the explorer dispatched beyond the frontier of India by Major Montgomerie will appear in the forthcoming annual report of the superintendent of the Great Indian Peninsula Railway. The journey was made in 1872, by a young man, a semi-Tibetan, who had received careful previous training. He reached the Tibetan town of Shigatze, crossed the Brahmapootra, and ascended one of its northern affluents to its source, thus are retaining the exact position of the watershed of the Brahmapootra valley, which he crossed at an elevation of 17,000 ft. above taining the exact position of the watershed of the Brahm potra-valley, which he crossed at an elevation of 17,000 ft. above the sea. He thus reached the great lake Tengri-nor, and achieved a geographical discovery of the very first importance, for that lofty sheet of water, receiving the drainage of a vast region, has never before been visited by any explorer in any way connected with Europeans. It has long been placed vaguely on our maps, solely on the authority of the Chinese chartographers of the last century. The bold explorer was robbed by a band of thieves near the banks of the lake, but he succeeded in reaching Lhasa, and returned safely to the succeeded in reaching Lhasa, and returned safely to the head-quarters of the Great Trigonometrical Survey. His head-quarters of the Great Ingonometrical Survey. The observations have since been worked out, and the results are very satisfactory. We believe that the next attempt will be very satisfactory. We believe that the next attempt will be to traverse the country from Lhasa, by way of the Kokonor, to Sinning in China.



ENTRY OF KING ALFONSO XII. INTO MADRID: PROCESSION IN THE CALLE DE ALCALA.



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Where plurality of wives is the rule a man may be considered fortunate who has no more than two, the usual number in fairly prosperous houses in Eastern Turkestan. As the owner's stud consists of a single stout pony and a jackass, and as both wives must needs go to market at one and the same time, the distribution of the family party is made somewhat after the fashion represented in the sketch. A light pad is placed on the pony's back, which admits of two ladies with one or even two children obtaining a comfortable seat. The father of the family, adopting the more humble quadruped, which wears neither pad nor bridle, rides behind, thereby securing to himself an opportunity of watching the movements of his light-hearted fair ones, for whom the weekly ride to market is a holiday to be thoroughly enjoyed with all the independence woman has it in her power to assert on the northern side of the Himalayas.

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The sketch is by Captain Chapman, R.A., who accompanied the mission of Sir T. D. Forsyth to the Ameer of Kashgar and

THE CHURCH.

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PREFERMENTS AND APPOINTMENTS.

Chapman, Horace Edward, to be Rector of Donhead St. Andrew, Wilts.
Duncan, James L., Vicar of Natland; Vicar of Christ Church, Carlisle.
Fairfax, C. H.; Vicar of Maltby.
Foster, A. J.; Rector of Farndish, Wellingborough.
Gaye, C. H.; Rector of Farndish, Wellingborough.
Gordon, James; Perpetual Carate of Norbury, near Stockport, Cheshire.
Herdman, R. M.; Association Secretary to Missions to Seamen Society.
Hole, Francis R.; Vicar of Constantine, near Penryn.
Milward, H.; Recor of Stoke Rodney, Somerset.
Phillipson, W. W. B.; Vicar of Bickerton, Cheshire.
Sanctuary, Thomas; Canon Resdentiary in Salisbury Cathedral.
Sanders, Henry Martyn; Vicar of Sutton-on-the-Forest.
Watson, S.; Vicar of Barton, Westmorland.
Whitelegge, Canon, Rural Dean of Hulme; Vicar of Farnsfield, Notts.
Williams, John Lewis; Chaplain of the Poole Union Workhouse.

On Tuesday morning the infant grandson of Bishop Piers Claughton was baptised at St. Paul's. This sacrament has not been administered in the cathedral for 162 years.

Dean Stanley preached a sermon at Westminster Abbey, on Sunday, in memory of the late Canon Kingsley, and paid a high tribute to his character and labours.

The Bishop of Salisbury reopened the church of Alton Pancras, Dorset, on the 20th ult., after a careful restoration by Mr. E. Christian, and his Lordship also consecrated a new burial-ground for the parish. These works have involved an outlay of £1300, of which Mrs. Saunders, the chief landowner of the parish has given £500. of the parish, has given £500.

THE UNIVERSITIES AND PUBLIC SCHOOLS. OXFORD.

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The following gentlemen have been elected to the vacant scholarships and exhibitions in Exeter:—Classical Scholars—Charles Phillips, Rugby; Henry Robinson King, Clifton College; and Stephen Montague Burrows, Eton. Mathematical Scholar—Thomas O'Hara Horsman, Leeds School. Open Exhibitioner—Walter Mew Barnes, Sherborne. How Exhibitioner—Thomas Bambridge Eden, Rugby. No election has been made to the Channel Islands Scholarship; a provisional election has been made to the Natural Science Scholarship.

Mr. G. A Stevenson, from the City of London School; Mr. S. H. Jeyes, from Uppingham School; Mr. H. S. Philpot, from Marlborough College; and Mr. D. B. W. Sladen, from Cheltenham College, have been elected to scholarships in Trinity. The examination for the above scholarships was held in common by the two colleges.

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Mr. Edward John Perry, unattached student, has been elected to a Hody Exhibition in Wadham.

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Professor Prestwich, who was appointed by the late Vice-Chancellor to succeed the late Professor Phillips in the Chair of Geology in this University, gave his inaugural lecture at the New Museum yesterday week. There was a large attendance, the lecture being public. Professor Prestwich, in the course of his address, reviewed the life and labours of his predecessor, and then entered upon an account of the present state of geological science.

CAMBRIDGE.

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The Mathematical Tripos List was published in the Senate House, yesterday week. This list this year contains eighty-six names, of whom twenty-eight are wranglers, thirty-four are senior optimes, twenty-four junior optimes, and two ægrotant. Last year there were forty-nine wranglers, twenty-three senior optimes, thirty-four junior optimes, and five ægrotant. The list of this year is as follows, those who are equal in merit being bracketed:—

Burnside, Pembroke Lamplugh, John's 21 Dielci	s, Queens' mson, Trin. H. ams, Mgdalene s, Clare non, Petrhouse acott, St. Jhn's enter, Peterhse e, King's dale, Mgdalene
Milne, St. John's Everest, Trinity Jefferson, Trinity Mathwin, Christ's Sadd, St. Catharine Vidler, Jesus Clarkson, Clare Steedman, Corpus Beckley, Sidney McLaren, St. John's O Holmes, Sidney Milchell, Queen's Mortimer, Trinity H. Swaffield, Trinity H. Staffurth, St. John's Parker, Caius Stokes, Corpus Parker, Caius Robe Slack	ey, Clare ethwaite, Sid. sh, St. John's Trinity Hall don, St. Cath. teley, Jesus , Trinity y, Downing grts, Trinity t, St. John's
Ablett, Christ's K., Trinity Fraser, Trinity Monro, Sid. Sussex Pughe Prisby, Trinity Oordon, Caius St. Teles Rich Alderson, St. Cath. Spar Gordon, Caius St. Way St. Way	cholm, Trinity eltine, Corpus p, Jesus ardson, Trinity ling, Trinity mouth, Clare te, Trinity

F. H. Kingdon, of Newton Abbot College, has been elected to a scholarship at Queen's School, Basingstoke.

Mr. William Bailey, of Hull, of the firm of Bailey and Leatham, steam-ship owners, has given £500 for the establishment of a permanent artisans' scholarship in Hull. The movement in favour of the establishment of these scholarships is making rapid progress.

The Rev. B. Hamilton, M.A., Queen's University, Ireland, ex-senior classical scholar and lecturer at Cork College, has been appointed Second Classical Master and Assistant Chaplain of the Royal Naval School, New-cross.

One of the most eminent members of the staff of professors one of the most eminent memoers of the stan of professors at University College, London, the Rey John Hoppus, LL.D., Ph.D., died yesterday week, at his residence in Camden-street, at the advanced age of eighty-five. Dr. Hoppus, who was Emeritus Professor of Mental Philosophy and Logic at the college, was also a Fellow of the Royal Society.

A soirée was given, on Wednesday, in the Jerusalem Chamber, Westminster, by Dean Stanley, in honour of the Patriarch of Antioch and the Bishop of Jerusalem, previous to their departure. The Dean gave a sketch of that branch of the Eastern Church of which his guests are the heads, and Colonel Gawler submitted a proposal for ameliorating the condition of its power members. dition of its poorer members.

It is stated that a college for women is about to be founded on the Mount Lee estate at Egham by Mr. Holloway. He has paid £25,000 for the property, and it is estimated that another £175,000 will be required to carry out his plans. The college will accommodate, when finished, 400 students. There will be a staff of at least twenty professors, and the object is to do in this way for the higher education of women what the colleges at Oxford and Cambridge do for the education of men.

A meeting has been held this afternoon, in the Townhall, Oxford, for the purpose of taking steps for establishing in Oxford a high school for girls, in connection with the Girls' Public Day School Company (Limited). Mr. Reid, M.P., occupied the chair. There was a large attendance of ladies and gentlemen, including many influential members of the University. Several addresses, including one from Mrs. Grey, were delivered by those on the platform, and resolutions in furtherance of the objects of the meeting were carried.

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A meeting was held on Tuesday, in the library of St. Paul's School, to consider the scheme which has been submitted by the Charity Commissioners for the reconstruction of the school. The chair was taken by Sir J. Hannen. Resolutions were passed—first, complaining that the scheme degraded St. Paul's, from being one of the nine public schools of England, to the level of a board school, and proposing that an effort should be made to bring it under the Public Schools Act; second, objecting to the shortening of the tenure of scholarships, and the reduction in their number from 153 to 114; third, complaining of a violation of Dean Colet's intention, which was that the pupils should be taught the Catechism in English; and, fourthly, objecting to the removal of the school from London. A special resolution against the education of girls on the foundation was passed by a large majority, and a committee was appointed to memorialise the Committee of Council of Education.

WORK AND WAGES.

The lock out in South Wales was enforced on Monday morning at all the associated collieries, and nothing is now being done except in a small way in some of the ironworks.

Messrs. Crawshay have given their colliers in the Forest of Dean notice of a 5 per cent reduction of wages, and the Speech House Hill Company of a 15 per cent reduction.

Yesterday week, at a numerously attended meeting of the Newcastle-on-Tyne, it was resolved to reduce the wages of the Durham Miners 20 per cent, which would leave the wages 10 per cent above the prices paid in the year 1871, when the first advances were given. The reduction is to take effect from the middle of March.

At a meeting between the Northumberland coal owners and miners, on Saturday, a proposition offering to lessen the reduction from 15 to 10 per cent was declined; but it was agreed to let the matter be settled by arbitration, so that a strike has been averted.

Lord Penrhyn and his quarrymen seem to be at present on specially friendly terms, His Lordship has contributed the sum of £2000 towards the reconstruction of the workmen's club; and the late manager, against whom some hard speeches were directed during the strike, gives £500 towards the object.

Fifteen thousand workmen employed in the Tyne ship-building yards have struck work against a proposed reduction of wages, but the dispute is to be referred to arbitration. A strike has also occurred in some of the manufacturing estab-lishments of South Staffordshire against a proposed return to the ten bours' system. the ten-hours' system.

Our notice of the Spring Exhibition of Water-Colour Drawings at the Dudley Gallery is unavoidably postponed.

Many persons will be glad to know that, after eighteen weeks' serious illness, Captain Mayne Reid still lives, and that his physicians now entertain good hopes of his recovery

Mr. W. F. Denning, of Cotham Park, Bristol, finds that there have only been three instances in 103 years of a January so mild as that which has just passed.

Dr. E. M. Grace was on Tuesday elected unopposed to the office of coroner for the western division of Gloucestershire, vacant by the resignation of Mr. W. Gaisford.

A letter has been received at Leeds from Mr. Disraeli's private secretary stating that her Majesty will honour with her patronage the Yorkshire Exhibition of Art and Manufactures to be held at that town in May next.

The remains of the Archbishop of Cashel were interred on Wednesday, in the vault of the Cathedral, Thurles. The funeral was attended by fourteen bishops, and a large number

The Mayor of Dover presented last week to Mr. Joseph Jones, a student of Dover College, the gold medal of the Royal Humane Society, for saving the lives of two persons in Canada, where he was resident a short time ago.

A portrait of Tennyson, printed by the carbon permanent process, one of the most pleasing likenesses of the Poet Laureate we have seen, has been published by Mr. Mayall, the well-known photographer. The portrait represents Tennyson in his familiar felt-hat and cloak, and does justice to the intellectual force characteristic of his strongly-marked features.

St. Valentine's anniversary is at hand. We know, as Tenny-St. Valentine's anniversary is at hand. We know, as Tennyson remarks, how "in the spring a young man's fancy" (or a young woman's) "lightly turns to thoughts of love." The ingenious and tasteful manufacture of pretty decorated vehicles for the expression of tender or complimentary sentiments upon this occasion has not failed to be productive as usual. Of Mr. Rimmel's various and elegant works in this department we have spoken in former instances. Messrs. Marcus, Ward, and Co. have in some degree ennobled the valentine by the originality and artistic excellence of the pictorial designs. These often display graceful figures of youths and damsels, in the picturesque costumes of the fifteenth or sixteenth centuries, expressing or even exchanging a mutual regard not unseasonable pressing or even exchanging a mutual regard not unseasonable at this time of year. The soft warm colours and golden background are well suited to the character of the drawings, and the general effect is very pleasing.

METROPOLITAN NEWS.

The ball of the Gaelic Society, on the 16th inst., will be held at Willis's Room

Mr. Edwin Arnold has been elected a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society.

The Prince of Wales has promised to preside at the forth-coming anniversary festival of the German Hospital, Dalston.

At the Birkbeck Institute, on Wednesday, Lord William Lennox lectured on "The Life and Doings of Theodore Hook."

It has been decided by the Lords of the Admiralty to increase the number of boys in the Greenwich Hospital School from 800 to 1000.

The Metropolitan Railway extension from Moorgate-street to the Liverpool-street station of the Great Eastern line was, on Monday, opened for traffic.

The Lord Mayor performed on Tuesday the annual ceremony of opening a Commission of Sewers for the City, and Mr. John Staples was elected chairman.

The Dowager Viscountess Gort has consented to be a lady vice-president of the Model Houses Association for Improving the Dwellings of the Industrial Poor.

After a protracted sitting, on Thursday morning, the Bank directors decided to maintain their rate of discount at 3 per cent, as it had been fixed on the previous Thursday.

The Court of Common Council has resolved to construct a new council-chamber at Guildhall and to rearrange the committee-rooms and offices, at an estimated cost of £100,000.

Summonses have been issued for a Cabinet Council to be held in Downing-street to-day (Saturday), at three o'clock, instead of Tuesday, Feb. 2, as had been previously stated.

On Tuesday evening the Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress entertained the governing body of the Coopers' Company, of which the Lord Mayor is the master, at dinner at the Mansion House, which was served in the Egyptian Hall.

Lord Northbrook, Viceroy of India, has addressed to the Lord Mayor a letter, in which he conveys the thanks of the British India Association for the assistance rendered by the Mansion House Committee for the relief of the distress in India.

Replying to a deputation of shipowners of the City of London who on Tuesday waited upon him to urge the introduction of a measure with regard to British shipping, the President of the Board of Trade stated that he intends to bring in such a bill as early as possible during the session.

There was a large attendance, yesterday week, at the third annual meeting of the National Union for Improving the Education of Women. Canon Barry presided, in the absence of Lord Lyttelton. The Hon. Lyulph Stanley, Mrs. Gray, and Miss Anna Swanwick spoke on the resolutions, which were adopted with acclamation.

Arrangements have been concluded with the Council of the Royal Albert Hall for an Annual International Exhibition of Fine Arts, to be opened about the commencement of April. The Exhibition will be organised by Mr. J. H. Gammon, for-merly connected with the Belgian Department of the Annual International Exhibitions.

At the monthly meeting of the Society of Biblical Archæology on Wednesday, the Rev. H. Sayce read a paper on "Human Sacrifices," and Professor Lauth, of Munich, followed with a disquisition on "The Date of the Nativity." It was announced that classes for instruction in Assyrian and Exercising are to be exceed immediately. Egyptian are to be opened immediately.

At the invitation of the Home Secretary, the Metropolitan Board of Works has made several suggestions for the amendment of the law relative to the carriage of petroleum and other inflammable substances. Among the recommendations is one for licensing petroleum hawkers, and another extending to wholesale dealers regulations which now apply only to retailers.

A new school at Deptford, erected by the London School Board, was opened yesterday week by Sir Charles Reed, the chairman of that body. It will accommodate nearly 800 children, the cost of building and land averaging less than £10 per head. Sir Charles invited the attention of the ratepayers to the fact that the cost of education was in a measure recouping itself by the diminution of crime and pauperism.

Inspector Denning, chief police officer at the House of Commons, has been presented with a testimonial, consisting of a cheque for a handsome amount, and a gold watch and chain, by a large number of members of Parliament and gentlemen engaged in business at Westminster Hall. The presentation was made on Wednesday, by Sir Charles Forster, M.P., in the name of the subscribers, and suitably acknowledged.

The annual meeting of the deputies representing the Independent, the Baptist, and the Presbyterian denominations was held, yesterday week, at the City Terminus Hotel, Cannonstreet. Sir Charles Reed having retired from the chairmanship, Mr. H. Richard, M.P., was elected as his successor. In taking the chair, the hon. gentleman spoke at length of the position occupied by Nonconformists as members of the Liberal party.

The Postmaster-General, considering that the geographical The Postmaster-General, considering that the geographical limits of some of the present divisions of the metropolis are too extensive, has by a recent order curtailed their dimensions. Among other changes, Woolwich, Plumstead, Shooter's-hill, Charlton, Belvedere, Abbey Wood, and places in the immediate vicinity have ceased to be in the south-eastern district, and the initial letters (S.E.) should not henceforth be appended to letters intended for those places.

The public distribution of prizes and certificates awarded to pupils in schools at the last half-yearly examination by the College of Preceptors took place last week at Willis's Rooms—Sir Charles Reed presiding. The large room was filled to overflowing. The number of pupils examined was 1413 (890 boys and 523 girls), being an increase of 519 on the number examined at the previous examination. The total number of schools from which candidates were sent up was 157.

In answer to a requisition numerously signed, the funeral of Sir Sterndale Bennett, will, by the permission of the Dean, be solemnised in Westminster Abbey, to-day (Saturday), at twelve o'clock. The choir will be reserved for those admitted by tickets, which will be distributed by Mr. John Gill, secretary of the Royal Academy of music, 4, Tenterden-street, Hanoversquare, W. The public will be admitted into the nave and into the north and south transept. The doors will be opened at 11.30 a.m. at 11.30 a.m.

The first cabmen's shelter in London is to be opened this (Saturday) morning by the Hon. A. Kinnaird, M.P., at Acaciaroad, St. John's-wood. The Globe, which has taken an active part in premoting this movement, states that a site has been granted opposite St. Clement Danes, Strand, and that a shelter to be placed thereon is in course of erection, as well as one to be stationed at Langham-place. Three or four sites have been applied for in Paddington. The committee have decided to place a shelter at the cab-stand at Knightsbridge.

Under the presidency of Dr. Voeleker, the first meeting of the session of 1875 of the Leanbers of the Farmers Club was held on Monday at the Salisbury Hotel, when Mr. J. B. Lawes, of Rothamsted, St. Albans, read a paper on "The More Fre-quent Growth of Barley." A discussion ensued.

Staff-Commander Hull, R.N., superintendent of charts at the Admiralty, read a paper on "The Unsurveyed World, 1874," at a meeting of the Royal United Service Institution, on Monday evening. He pointed out that a very large portion of the world remained to be surveyed, either wholly or partially.

A full meeting of the Victoria (Philosophical) Institute teck place at its rooms, 10, Adelphi-terrace, on Monday evening, when Professor Birks read a paper on what Professor Tyndall has defined as the "Indestructibility of Force," and gave a review of the investigations of, and divergent opinions expressed by, Professor Huxley, Mr. Spencer, Seguier, and others on the subject, concluding by an analysis of the question

The weekly return of metropolitan paupers shows that the total number of paupers last week was 99,521, of whom 57,031 were in workhouses, and 62,493 received outdoor relief. Compared with the corresponding week in 1874, these figures show a decrease of 8145. The number of vagrants relieved on the last day of the week was 445, of whom 329 were men, 98 to 18,613 results of 18,613 results o wemen, and 18 children under sixteen.

It has been proposed by a committee of the Central Chamber of Agriculture that a bill shall be brought into Parliament this acssion on the subject of agreements between landlords and tenants in England, and they have drafted a measure with this object. At a meeting of the Chamber, held at the Salisbury Hotel, on Tuesday, under the presidency of Lord Hampton, the general principles of the bill were approved, and after some discussion on the first clause, relating to compensation for improvements, further consideration of the matter was postponed till the meeting of the Council in March.

A report has been presented to the Paddington Vestry on the first three months' operation of a new system of supplying the public lamps by meter instead of paying at the rate of five feet per hour, as heretofore. It was found that the consumption averaged only 4.77 feet per lamp per hour. The vestry having purchased the lamps and organised a lighting staff of its own, a further saving has been effected through improved regulation of the hours of lighting. On the quarter the saving effected in this way was 868.49 feet per lamp added to 310.57 feet saved by meterage. The gross saving to the parish was estimated at a million and a half feet of gas—equal to £400 in three months.

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It was resolved by the London School Board, at its weekly meeting, on Wednesday, on the motion of Lord Napier and Ettrick, to appoint a committee with the object of ascertaining whether any educational endowments within the Board's area of jurisdiction are available for the purpose of elementary, and especially technical, instruction in the metropolis, and how the claims of the London elementary schools to such endowments could be set forth.—The expenditure of the London School Board for the next year, including a deficiency on the current one, is estimated at £263,713,which is equal to a rate of 3d. in the pound on the whole rateable value of the metropolis. Mr. Samuel Morley, M.P., has given a scholarship for boys of £120 for four years; the members for the Tower Hamlets have joined together to give one; and two are expected to be raised by subscription emong the members of the Board generally, making in all six new scholarships. new scholarships.

The annual dinner in aid of the French Hospital and Dispensary in Lisle-street, Leicester-square, was held last Saturday evening at Willis's Rooms. The Comte de Jarnac presided, and among the guests present were the Lord Mayor, Chevalier di Cadorna (the Italian Minister), Malcolm Khan (the Persian Minister), Hon. General Cadogan, Lord Foley, Lord Eliot, Marquise de Brachet, Comte de la Londe, and the Comte de Gontaut Biron. The Comte de Jarnac spoke for the institution in English, and proposed some of the other toasts of the evening in French. The toast of the visitors, which he proposed in English, was responded to by the Italian Minister and the Lord Mayor. Mr. Rimmel, the hon. secretary, read the report, from which it appeared that the French Hospital and Dispensary relieved last year 163 in-patients and 3333 outpatients. The subscriptions, which were headed by the Duc d'Aumale's annual contribution of £100, amounted to £1000. The annual dinner in aid of the French Hospital and Dis-

The twenty-third anniversary of The Hospital for Sick Children was celebrated in Great Ormond-street, on Wednesday, by a dinner in the Freemasons' Tavern, presided over by Lord Houghton. The hospital was founded in 1852, and it is now gradually entering into possession of a new building, designed by Mr. E. M. Barry, R.A., the completion of which will more than exhaust the funds in the hands of the building committee. In proposing the toast of the evening, "Success to the Hospital," Lord Houghton read a letter from Sir F. Goldsmid, inclosing a donation of £50, and another from Mr. Walter, M.P., inclosing a cheque for £250, in addition to £500, already subscribed towards the building fund. He said that since the hospital was founded it had bestowed care upon 15,000 children—few compared with the population of the metropolis; and many thousands of these, as the result of frecessful treatment, were living useful and pleasurable lives, with grateful recollections of the benevolence they had extended. The hospital did nothing to weaken the sense of independence among those whom it assisted; it did not interiore with family relations, it merely supplemented them by that which the family could not supply; and therefore it did not contravene the views of the most scrupulous political (CCEmist. The subscriptions amounted to £3360.

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There were 2567 births and 1650 deaths registered in Lon lon left week. The births exceeded by 128, and the deaths were 26 below, the average numbers. The annual death-rate from all causes, which in the three previous weeks had been equal to 25, 29, and 24 per 1000, rose again last week to 25. The deaths referred to diseases of the respiratory organs, which in the four preceding weeks had declined, under the influence of the mild weather, from 897 to 468, further fell last week to 409, and were 4 below the average; 248 resulted from bronchitis, 104 from pneumonia, and 15 from asthma. There were 5 deaths from smallpox, 8 from measles, 61 from scallet fever, 7 from diphtheria, 39 from whooping-cough, 31 from different forms of fever, and 20 from diarrhoea. The 61 fatal cases of scarlet fever exceeded the numbers in the two preceding weeks, and were 15 above the corrected weekly average. The deaths from diphtheria showed a further decline from those returned in recent weeks. The 31 deaths from fever included 2 certified as typhas, 23 as cateric or typhoid fever, and 6 as simple continued fever. In the Greater London 3061 births and 1946 deaths were registered, equal to annual rates of 38.0 and 2.1 per 1000 of the pqualation. In the Outer Ring the death-rate from all causes, and from the seven principal zymotic diseases, was 20.3 and 2.3 per 1600 respectively, against 25.0 and 2.6 in Inner London. The fatal cases of scarlet fever and of enteric fever in the Outer Ring exceeded the numbers in either of the two previous weeks. The mean temperature was 43.2 deg., or 5.1 deg. above the average.

LAW AND POLICE.

Mr. Justice Keating, on his retirement from the Bench, was, on Monday, presented by the Solicitor-General, on behalf of the Bar, with an address expressing their admiration of the manner in which he had discharged his judicial functions, and their regret at learning that he was to relinquish them. His Lordship, in reply, acknowledged the personal courtesy and kindness he had always experienced from the gentlemen of the Bar. The Court of Common Pleas was densely crowded during the ceremony.—The vacancy created in the Court of Common Pleas by the retirement of Sir Henry Keating will be filled up by the transfer of Mr. Justice Archibald to that court from the Court of Queen's Bench. Mr. Field, Q.C., will be the new Judge of the Queen's Bench. It is stated that the vacant judgeship had been offered to and declined by Mr. Hawkins.

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The Hon. David Plunket, Solicitor-General for Ireland, was on Tuesday presented with an address and testimonial from the members of the Irish Civil Service.

Punishment by flogging was the subject of a paper read and discussed at a meeting of the Law Amendment Society on Monday night. In a letter intimating his inability to preside over the meeting Mr. Justice Keating characterised the proposal to extend the use of the lash as a mistake, and not calculated to effect its chieft. calculated to effect its object.

The Irish Bar had a meeting last Saturday, and passed resolutions denouncing the Judicature Bill.

An application by the petitioners against the return of Sir Henry James for Taunton, praying for a revision of the costs allowed (amounting to £3224 and £2089), was refused by the Court of Common Pleas. Lord Coleridge remarked that if gentlemen indulged in the luxury of a petition they must take their chance of having to pay for it.

The joint committee of the four Inns of Court having considered the letter of the president of the Incorporated Law Society of Nov. 10 last, desiring that the rule of the four lms of Court requiring solicitors to have given up practice for three years before they are called to the Bar be repealed, beg to report their unanimous opinion that it is inexpedient to do so.

In the Court of Common Pleas, on Thursday, Lord Coleridge imposed a fine of £20 each on fourteen special jurors, who did not answer to their names

In the case in which Mr. Malden had been awarded £8000 In the case in which Mr. Manden had been awarded 25000 damages for injuries sustained by him in an accident on the Great Northern Railway, and in which a rule for a new trial had been applied for, the Court of Queen's Bench has suggested that £6000 should be paid by the company, and the remaining £2000 at the end of two years, if the plaintiff should be considered by an eminent medical man to have made to improve the company. This agreement has been agreed to. no improvement. This arrangement has been agreed to.

The February session of the Central Criminal Court was opened on Monday. M'Corkell, M'Ewen, Beardsell, and Mostyn, the four men who are charged with conspiracy to defraud, and upon whose innocence or guilt a former jury were unable to agree, were again indicted before the Common Serjeant. The hearing of the case had not been brought to a close at the rising of the Court. Samuel Pushee, a porter, was sentenced on Tuesday to twelve months' hard labour for having stolent of the court on Tuesday to twelve months' hard labour for having stolen about £230 by breaking open a desk of his employers. Alphonse Gaultier, prosecuted by the Charity Organisation Society for having received several small sums by false pretences, was condemned to seven years' penal servitude; and the trial of the four prisoners charged with fraudulent trading was continued. Mary and Samuel Draper, mother and son, were tried on Wednesday for the murder of Thomas Perkins, and, being found guilty of manslaughter, the former was sentenced to ten and the latter to fifteen years' penal servitude. The trial of Alexander M'Ewen, William M'Corkell, Charles Beardsell, and Samuel Mostyn for unlawfully conspiring to obtain large quantities of goods from different wholesale houses by false pretences was concluded on Thursday morning. The jury acquitted Mostyn, but found a verdict of guilty against M'Ewen, M'Corkell, and Beardsell, and they were sentenced to be imprisoned and kept to hard labour for eighteen months.

Lord Tenterden has appointed the Hon. Francis Villiers to be his private secretary.

The railway between Newport and Sandown was passed by the Government inspector, Colonel Yolland, last Saturday, after a careful survey, and was opened for trafficon Monday.

Admiral Sir Rodney Mundy, naval commander-in-chief at Portsmouth, gave a grand ball (one of the last previously to his vacating the command) at the Admiralty House in the dockyard on Tuesday evening.

The men of Ardrossan who gallantly saved a number of lives at the wreck of the Chusan, on Oct. 21, were, on Thursday week, presented with medals in recognition of their bravery. The medals are of silver, and one side bears an engraving of the wreck, represented from the picture in the *Illustrated London News*, which was from a sketch courteously furnished to us by Mr. Duncan MacKellar.

"Nautilus" writes to the *Times* to recommend a simple, ready, and effectual agency for the prevention and extinction of fire on board ships—especially steam-ships. This is the introduction, by means of a steam-pipe connected with the boilers, of a jet of steam into each of the compartments into which all properly constructed steam-ships are divided by means of water-tight bulkheads. This jet is regulated by steam-cocks under the control of the engineer, and is sufficient, where the hatches are properly closed and battened, to stifle any flame that can be supposed to exist. This arrangement, the writer says, is in existence on board some, if not all, of the Peninsular and Oriental ships.

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At the meeting of the Institution of Civil Engineers on Tuesday night—Mr. Thomas E. Harrison, president, in the chair—the paper read was "On the Origin of the Chesil Bank, and on the Relation of the Existing Beaches to past Geological Changes independent of the present Coast Action," by Professor Joseph Prestwich. The council announced that they had transferred Messrs. A. M. Fowler and R. Vawser from the class of executives to that of members and had admitted six class of associates to that of members, and had admitted six candidates as students of the institution. The monthly ballot resulted in the election of forty-one candidates, of whom five were members and thirty-six associates.

It was stated by Sir E. Watkin, M.P., at the half-yearly to was stated by Sir E. Watkin, at the hairy-carly meeting of the Metropolitan Railway yesterday week, that the company had carried twenty-two million passengers in the hair year, without accident of any kind beyond the control of the passengers. The amalgamation of the Metropolitan of the passengers. The amalgamation of the Metropolitan of the Metropolitan District Railway was spoken of as probable by Sir Edward Watkin. The news was received with favour by the shareholders present, all who spoke on the subject expressing their satisfaction. Sir Edward repeated the opinion he expressed a day or two ago at the Manchester and Sheffield meeting that the Midland Company had made a mistake in abolishing second-class carriages.

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The island of Java, which is somewhat larger than Irelvid, and lies south of Sumatra and Borneo, is the most important in the Eastern Asiatic archipelago. It has, during the last two centuries and a half, fallen almost entirely under the dominion of Holland, and its Dutch capital is the commercial town of Batavia. The native population, reckoned at nearly ten millions, are of the Malay race, but those of Sunda or the northern territory form a distinct nation. The Javanose are skilful in agriculture, rearing large crops of rice and other grain for exportation. They are smiths and metal-workers, potters and brickmakers, as well as carpenters; but their only textile material of native growth is cotton, of which they manufacture a stout and rather coarse sort of cloth. No fine muslins, like those of India, are woven in the looms of Java. The processes of cleaning and preparing the cotton, of spinning, weaving, and dyeing, are performed by women, and they do this work at home in the household. The coloured patterns consist always of stripes, not of cheek or tartan; and they are produced either by weaving in threads which have previously been dyed, or clse by covering some parts of the cloth with a coating of wax to prevent their taking the colour in the dye-vat.

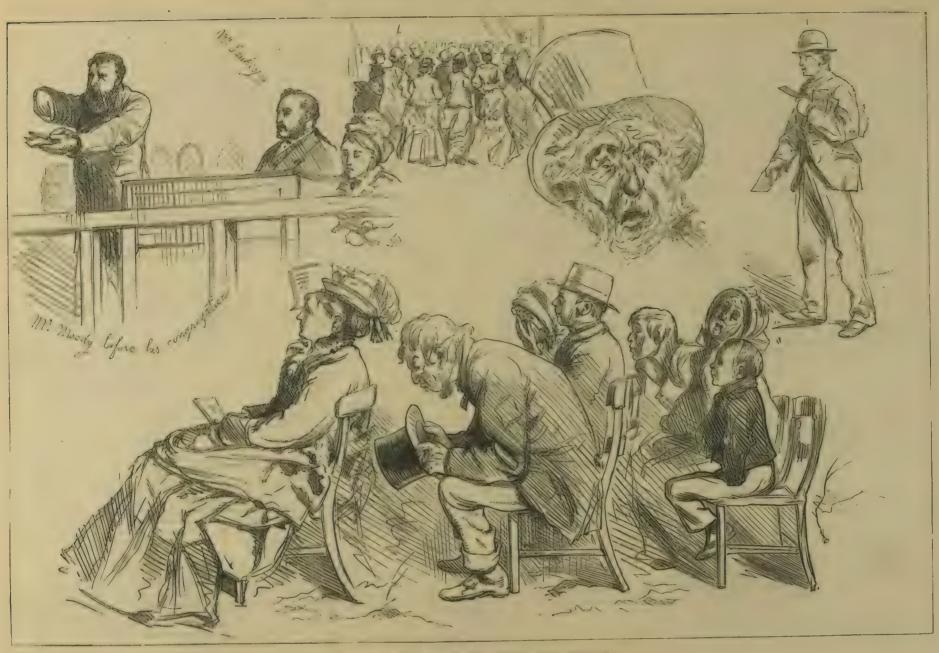
THE CITY TEMPLE.

This place of religious worship has borne witness to the good feeling of Christian brotherhood now growing up between the Liberal or Broad Church members of the English Establishment and the Nonconformists in this country, as well as the Presbyterian Church of Scotland. The Dean of Westminster, and several other eminent elergymen, have attended the services of the City Temple, and have publicly spoken in its behalf. It has been usual to hold a weekday service at noon on Thursdays. The preacher expected last Thursday was the Hon. and Rev. W. H. Fremantle, Rector of St. Mary's, Bryanston-square, and honorary chaplain to the Archbishop of Canterbury; who previously also, while Bishop of London, from 1861 to 1865, had Mr. Fremantle for his chaplain. The congregation last Thursday was very large, quite filling the vast space of the ground-floor and most of the gallery. After the singing of a hymn, the reading of portions of Scripture, and the offering of a prayer, in the usual order of Congregationalist services, this elergyman addressed the meeting. Ho said that when he accepted the invitation to preach, he knew of no legal impediment; but three days ago, he received a communication from the Bishop of London, requesting him not to do so. The services, this clergyman addressed the meeting. He said that when he accepted the invitation to preach, he knew of no legal impediment; but three days ago, he received a communication from the Bishop of London, requesting him not to do so. The Bishop had taken the opinion of his legal adviser, and was informed that, if Mr. Fremantle preached there, he would commit an offence against ecclesiastical law, when the Bishop would feel obliged to commence legal proceedings against him. He (Mr. Fremantle) thought it better, therefore, not to associate so sacred an act as he had intended to perform with any conduct that could bear the imputation of lawlessness, and he must now refrain from preaching. But as he was anxious that the important question of its legality should be tried, he had come to an understanding with the Bishop that the opinion of the most competent lawyers should be obtained. If it should hereafter appear that there was no impediment, and if he were again invited to preach, he would most readily and eagerly do so. He was disappointed on this occasion, but he begged those who would have heard him not to feel any resentment at the prohibition. They must consider that the rulers of a great Church, the administrators of a complicated and antiquated system of law, were under a very grave responsibility for what they did. He trusted, however, that this great question of Christian intercommunion would be kept in view, as one of the utmost moment to the interests of Christianity at the present day. The statement we have reported was received by the audience with very mixed feelings. Dr. Parker, the minister of the City Temple, instead of preaching the sermon which Mr. Fremantle had been prevented from giving to the congregation, made a rather long speech upon the incident that had just taken place. He observed that the Rector of the parish had consented to Mr. Fremantle preaching in the City Temple, and he doubted whether there was, after all, any law against it in such a case. If there was such an old law, t

there might be grace, mercy, and peace among all Christian people.

The City Temple is, as shown in our illustration, a spacious building, having an imposing frontage upon the Holborn Viaduet, near the parish church of St. Andrew. This place of worship was opened last May. It was intended, in the main, to replace the Poultry Chapel, where for some years past, first Dr. Spence, and latterly Dr. Joseph Parker, the author of "Eece Deus," have carried on their ministry. That chapel, together with the neighbouring and entirely deserted church of St. Mildred, Poultry, was absorbed two years ago in one of the City improvements, and its site was sold to a public company for the sum of £50,000. With half that amount Dr. Parker and his vestry purchased from the Corporation of London a large plot of ground upon the Holborn Viaduet, and upon it they have erected, from the designs of Messrs. Lockwood and Mawson, at an expense, including fittings, of £35,000, a new chapel capable of holding at least 3000 persons. With the exception of Mr. Spurgeon's Tabernacle at 'Newington, it is the largest place of worship which the Nonconformists possess in London, and it has the additional advantage of being in a most central position. The building, in the interior, is exceedingly welland it has the additional advantage of being in a most central position. The building, in the interior, is exceedingly well adapted for its purpose, and in the all-important matters of light and sound nothing better could be desired. The pews have been so arranged that every one in the chapel can both see and hear the minister. There is but one gallery, and the rows of pews in it are in some places not less than lifteen or twenty deep. A principal feature in the building is the splendid marble pulpit, presented, at the cost of 300 gs., by the Corporation of London, and bearing an appropriate inscription. It was made by Messrs. Farmer and Brindley. A handsome clock has been given by Sir John Bennett.

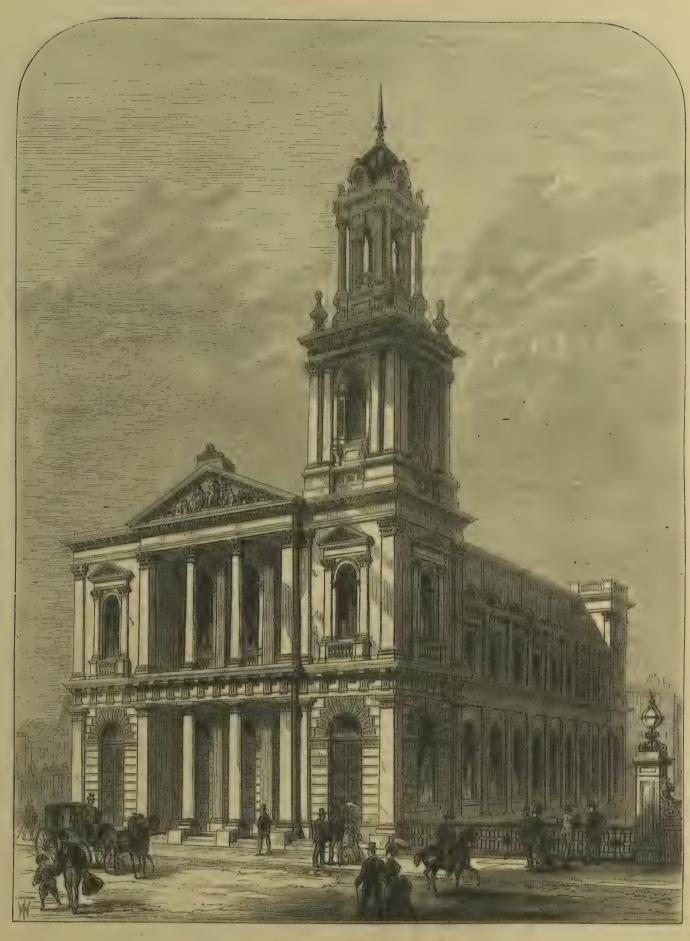
It is gratifying here to recall the words of charitable and generous wisdom spoken by Dean Stanley at the public dinner to celebrate the opening of the City Temple:—"It seemed to him that to be present on an occasion of that kind was not only one of the privileges of a clergyman of the Church, but also his bounden duty. There were many other means of expressing sympathy and kindness with Nonconformists which he, for one, would most earnestly desire to be carried out; but there were objections, difficulties, scruples, and even matters of etiquette, in the way which rendered it questionable, position. The building, in the interior, is exceedingly well



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THE CITY TEMPLE, HOLBORN VIADUCT.

difficult, and, indeed, impossible, to do what was most desired. But as regarded the duty and the privilege of holding friendly and kindly intercourse, and having a true and Christian understanding, with members of other communions, there could be no doubt or question with any reasonable member or minister of the Church of England or any other Church in the world. He would, at any rate, claim for himself a hearty wish and of the Church of England or any other Church in the world. He would, at any rate, claim for himself a hearty wish and prayer, if not for the concurrent endowment and establishment, at least for the concurrent existence of all good Christian communities. That surely was an innocent wish and desire which might be lawfully entertained by any minister, whether Conformist or Nonconformist. When a clergyman of the Church of England regarded its past history and that of England, he could feel no scruple in taking a pride—a just Christian pride—in the good works and deeds of those Nonconformists who had departed from us. What English Churchman was there who was not proud of being a fellow-countryman of Owen, Howe, Baxter, Bunyan, and Wesley? And what Nonconformist, as an Englishman, was not glad to belong to that country which had produced such men as Hooker, Chillingworth, Lord Falkland, the great latitudinarians of Cambridge, the great philosophers of Oxford, Bishop Butler, Thomas Arnold, and others whom he could name? Entertaining these feelings, as they did, towards the dead, what on earth and in heaven prevented them entertaining similar feelings towards the living? Why should not he be proud of those Nonconformists who, by their peculiar gifts and education, were enabled to address classes of their countrymen whom he and his fellow-Churchmen, by their gifts and their education, were unable equally to address, penetrate, and reach?



CHALLENGE SHIELD FOR THE 21st FUSILIERS.

On the other hand, what Nonconformist was not equally willing to admit that there were other classes of Englishmen to whom Churchmen were able to address themselves, not with more facility or greater hope of being heard, but perhaps with greater ability and more opportunities of being heard? As long as different wants and different classes existed in this country, so long would there be room for the concurrent existence and activity both of the Established Church of England and of the different Nonconformist bodies."

It may not be out of place here to mention that, among the new books lately published, is a volume (Strahan and Co.), entitled "Pulpit Notes, with an Introductory Essay on the Preaching of Jesus Christ," by the Rev. Joseph Parker, D.D., Minister of the City Temple.

SHIELD FOR THE 21st FUSILIERS.

Our Illustration represents a challenge shield for the best shooting company of the battalion which particularly distinguished itself at the terrible cyclone that visited Madras in May, 1872. On that occasion both men and officers exerted themselves to relieve the sufferers by the fearful visitation, and in recognition of their kind services they received the thanks of Government, and were invited by the people of Madras to a public ball and presented with a piece of plate and a handsome clock. The shield, made by Mr. Streeter, of New Bond-street, is a large one, of ebony, with silver ornamental modellings to represent the honours and badges of the regiment, and St. Andrew's cross in the centre.

NATIONAL SPORTS.

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Merely noting that the acceptances for the Spring Handicaps are generally satisfactory, and that the Inter-University Boat-Race, in which the prospects of Oxford look far brighter than they have done for some years, is fixed for March 20, we may pass on to the "board of green cloth," which has engrossed so much attention during the past ten days. The American Tournament, for which we are indebted to the energy of W. Cook, the champion, and the liberality of Messrs. Burroughes and Watts, proved a complete success in every way. The attendances were far larger than had been anticipated: the principle of each player meeting every other player is universally pronounced to be far superior to the old plan; and some most brilliant play was exhibited by nearly all the eight men engaged. The affair took place at Joseph Bennett's rooms, 315, Oxford-street, which are splendidly ventilated; and though on two or three occasions there was not even standing-room to be obtained, the atmosphere was never oppressively hot. Messrs. Burroughes and Watts creeted a beautiful new table for the occasion, Hungarian ash and pollard oak being the principal woods used; and the carving of the legs, and indeed the entire workmanship, reflected great credit on that eminent firm. At the conclusion of the seven days' play, John Roberts, jun. (scratch) and A. Bennett (160) had won five games each; W. Cook (scratch), T. Taylor (100), and T. W. Stanley (120) four games cach; L. Kilkenny (160), three games; W. Timbrell (140), two games; and Joseph Bennett (scratch), one game. The tie between Roberts and Bennett was therefore played off on Tuesday night, and the former, who played splendidly throughout the entire handicap, won easily by 140 points, making breaks of 213 (10, 27, 13, and 13 "spots"), 60 (4 "spots"). He also took a £5 prize for the best all-round break, a 73 made in his game with Cook, whom he defeated with consummate ease, though he did not score until his opponent had put together 130. The champion gave an elegant g

took a £5 prize for the best all-round break, a 73 made in his game with Cook, whom he defeated with consummate ease, though he did not score until his opponent had put together 130. The champion gave an elegant gold locket of the value of £10 to the scorer of the highest break, and this fell to Taylor, who, when playing with Timbrell, ran up 218, including 74 consecutive spot strokes. This was a very meritorious break, as it commenced with some good play round the table, position for the spot being cleverly obtained when the white ball had run in, and there seemed little chance of a long score. Taylor, indeed, showed fine form in most of his games, and, but for two or three pieces of bad luck, would nearly have won outright. Stanley played brilliantly for three days, and then fell to pieces; but Alfred Bennett showed extraordinary improvement since he last visited London, and returns to Birmingham with great éclat. The arrangements, which were left entirely in Cook's hands, could not have been better, and everything passed off pleasantly and smoothly.

On Wednesday night W. Cook and T. Taylor played a match of 1000 up for £100 a-side, the latter receiving a start of 200 points. Many people have fancied that the champion's form has fallen off a good deal in the last twelve months; but it would be quite impossible for anyone to exhibit more splendid play than he did in this match, and he cut down Taylor most mercilessly from start to finish, winning by no less than 474 points. His best efforts were 96 (10 and 3 "spots), 111 (14 "spots), 191 (4 and 12 "spots"), 102 (13 and 4 "spots"). Taylor only had one really good chance, which he took advantage of to score a nicelyplayed break of 115 (31 "spots"). At the conclusion of the game £20 was staked with the representative of the Illustrated Sporting and Dramatic News for a match of 1000 up level, between Joseph Bennett, ex-champion, and T. Taylor, for £100 aside. On March 8 D. Richards is to play Cook for the pyramid championship; and, as three or four other importan some weeks to come.

The fourth and concluding lecture by Mr. William Simpson, our travelling Special Artist, on some features in the history of ancient and modern art, was delivered at the Corporation Galleries, in Glasgow, on Thursday week. This course had been arranged by the Council and Trustees of Haldane's Academy of Fine Arts, and it has proved an entire success, the audience being twice as large as that of the most popular of former lectures. A collection of more than 200 of Mr. Simpson's sketches of more than 200 of Mr. Simpson's sketches and water-colour drawings has been exhibited in the same place. The lecturer has treated his subject rather discursively, following the diversified branches of study and observation, to which he was led by his own personal ex-periences in the Eastern world, including his to which he was led by his own personal experiences in the Eastern world, including his repeated cirands as artist-reporter to India, Cashmere, and Thibet, to Egypt and Syria, Turkey and the shores of the Black Sea, to Abyssinia, to China and Japan, and to the North American continent, as well as to different countries of Europe. But he still kept in view the historical development of art, especially in his first three lectures, with reference to the symbolism of philosophical and religious ideas. He began with "the first dawn of art," the carliest manifestation of the art-instinct, shown in the engraved bones of the pre-historic cave-dwelling people. In the last lecture, at which Sheriff Dickson presided over the audience, Mr. Simpson gave some account of "Illustrated Journalism"—that is to say, the application of art to a newspaper representation of the events of the day. He spoke of the Penny Magazine, com-

menced on March 31, 1832, as the first weekly menced on March 31, 1832, as the first weekly illustrated journal of any note; and he next related the establishment of the Illustrated London News, which began on May 14, 1842. Mr. Simpson gave some details regarding the drawing and engraving of the illustrations, and the duties of a special correspondent; he described his own manner of proceeding to collect materials for the subjects to be sent home. At the conclusion, the lecture, gave home. At the conclusion, the lecturer gave some interesting accounts of his own experiences in the Franco-German war and other campaigns which he had gone through as special artist of the Illustrated London News.

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PEACEFUL TIMES.

BY MARCUS STONE.

THE TWO KINGS OF SIAM.

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We are told this week, by a telegram from Singapore, that "the position of affairs in Siam is unaltered, and anxiety is felt at the persistence of the Second King in remaining at the British Consulate. Both parties are understood to be anxious for the mediation of Sir Andrew Clarke, who, it is presumed, however, cannot act without authority from the British Government." There are, by the ancient constitution of the monarchy, two Kings jointly reigning in Siam; and it seems that they have lately quarrelled, not like the "two kings of Brentford, smelling at one nosegay." We cannot yet say which of the two was in the right. The First King, Chowfa Chul-Along-Korn by name, is a minor; and his share of the government is borne by a Regent, whose name is Somdetch Chan Phya Sri Suriwongse. Of this personage, and of the Second King also, we are enabled to give portraits, from photographs lent us by Mr. E. B. Gould. The likeness of the First King was given in this paper Feb. 7, 1874. A view is given, likewise, of the outside of the British Consulate at Bangkok, with a crowd of Burmese and other Asiatic subjects of her Majesty under the verandah. They are waiting their turn to appear as parties or witnesses at the trials in the Consular Court.

JUNIOR NAVAL AND MILITARY CLUB.

The original location of this club was in
Dover-street, Piccadilly, where it first established itself in 1873; but a tall and
handsome edifice has been built for its accommodation close to
Marlborough House. The architect was Mr. T. Dudley, of
Pall-mall. The front of the building is shown in our Illustration. The club was formed under the patronage of their
Royal Highnesses the Prince of Wales and the Duke of Edinburgh, with the Earl of Desart, Count Gleichen, the Prince of
Leiningen, Admiral Keppel, and Sir Henry Wilmot as vice-



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patrons. It's membership is confined to the commissioned officers of the Army, Navy, and Royal Marines, and midshipmen above seventeen years of age. Members going abroad on service pay only a guinea a year during their absence, instead of the full subscription, which seems a just and considerate arrangement. The names of the committee seem to promise good management; and we believe the institution has already gained a fair degree of success.

Lady Carnarvon's remains were interred last Saturday at the cemetery at Highelere, near Newbury. Many of the members of her Ladyship's family and a large number of tenantry and local tradespeople attended the funeral, and several of her friends sent wreaths to be placed on her coffin.



THE REVOLUTION IN SIAM: THE BRITISH CONSULATE GENERAL, BANGKOK.



THE JUNIOR NAVAL AND MILITARY CLUB, PALL-MALL.

THE LATE CANON KINGSLEY.

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A portrait and memoir of Charles Kingsley were given last week, and something was said of the character of his genius and the aim of his writings. A mind of such brightness and vivaeity, in a very discursive career of literary effort, could not fail to win the notice of thousands of his countrymen with different habits of thinking and feeling. The sportsman had a regard for one who not only was perfectly skilled and intimately versed in the delightful art of fly-fishing, but could ride well up to fox-hounds on the North Hampshire Downs, or to staghounds on Exmoor, and knew where to carry his gun, though sparingly used, in quest of all four-footed or feathered game of Britain; who, moreover, had described, with admirable force and truth, many bold seenes and actions of that nature, as an English country clergyman, without detriment to his sacred profession, has an allowed right to do if he pleases and knows the way. The lovers of natural history and natural philosophy, in the mean time, were gratified by Charles Kingsley's ardent interest in those pure and noble studies, which he pursued not as a peddler in scientific terms and classifications, but as an individual observer in the fields and rivers, the hedgerows and the roadside pools, of his neighbourhood, and, during one too short holiday, in a tropical forest of the West Indies. The spirit in which he applied himself to these unpretentious views of that endless exhibition of creative power in the world of matter, whether inorganic matter or framed and inspired to living growth in wondrous variety of forms, was that of a wise learner disposed to believe most fully in the marvellous, the glorious, the gracious design of every work of God. "Madame How variety of forms, was that of a wise learner disposed to believe most fully in the marvellous, the glorious, the gracious design of every work of God. "Madame How and Lady Why," to quote the significant title of one of Kingsley's minor treatises upon this subject, were both constantly pre



THE REGENT DURING THE MINORITY OF THE FIRST KING OF SIAM.

author was as often met with in the vexed world of conflicting author was as often met with in the vexed world of conflicting social interests, of customary prejudices and indolent fallacies, of human rights struggling to assert themselves, and human affections, or moral and intellectual faculties, perishing beneath the dead weight of tolerated wrong. Of all that school of earnest and generous youth, who were inspired by Curlyle's "Past and Present," above thirty years ago, to wield the pen in a warfare against the manifold iniquities and imbecilities of the age, Charles Kingsley has borne his part most bravely in the fight. Such a trumpet-call was heard in "Yeast," in "Alton Locke," and in several of his essays upon sanitary reform and other practical questions of social welfare, that the legislators of political or conventional authority were soon



GRAVE OF THE LATE CANON KINGSLEY, AT EVERSLEY.



EVERSLEY PARSONAGE.

compelled to listen; and it really looks as though some little were now likely to be done for the remedy of some great evils, were now likely to be done for the remedy of some great evils, so that there shall be no more occasion to exclaim, "A mad world, my masters!" In this and in other respects Charles Kingsley was decidedly, like Alfred Tennyson, a man of his own age, filled with the better instincts of the nineteenth century, of this present England, in the Victorian reign of prosperous public order and domestic peace. He did not possess the judicial discernment needful to deal with questions of government, of policy, and of law; and his notions of past possess the judicial discernment needful to deal with questions of government, of policy, and of law; and his notions of past history, and of the conduct of its eminent personages, were merely romantic, as in the case of Sir Walter Raleigh and others in the Elizabethan period, with a colouring of chivalrous heroism, suffused by his glowing fancy. No appointment was ever more unsuitable and unprofitable than that of Kingsley to be the Professor of Modern History at Cambridge. It ended in his turning round and telling the students that, so far as he could see, there was no historical study to be had of the deeds, motives, and characters of men who died centuries ago. This was Kingsley's experience, and the students that, so far as he could see, there was no historical study to be had of the deeds, motives, and characters of men who died centuries ago. This was Kingsley's experience, and the result of his incapacity for the judicial office. What he could do, and better than almost any other writer of prose fiction, was to create, by his powerful dramatic imagination, typical characters of those phases or moods of life which seem to have prevailed in former ages. In "Hypatia," for instance, he presents the Epicurean devotees of wealth and pleasure under the Roman Empire, the energetic and ambitious prelate of the rising Church, and the barbarian warriors, intemperate and recklessly brave, whose onset was to shake the ancient fabric of the social world. In "Hereward the Wake," though he has mixed together the types of two different periods—that of the carly Vikings and that of the Saxon, or rather English, Lords and Thanes opposing the Norman Conquest—the representation is not less forcible. And in "Westward Ho!" with an estimate which we think most untrue of the Elizabethan courtiers and adventurers, who were mostly examples of no virtue but audacity in their greedy and crafty attempts, the author's genius is again put forth, in a highly animated and interesting narrative. These works of fletion, these excellent stories, to which he has added many charming lyrical poems and songs, have made Kingsley a favourite with those who are fond of the best literature of our day. Besides, however, the various claims above noticed which he had to esteem, in different quarters, for his accomplishments favourite with those who are fond of the best literature of our day. Besides, however, the various claims above noticed which he had to esteem, in different quarters, for his accomplishments as a romance writer or novelist, a social and moral reformer, a naturalist, and a frank follower of rural sports, the late Rector of Eversley and Canon of Westminster was a Broad Church divine. His sermons are not to be lauded or criticised in this mere record of the man's public career; but we are assured that their tendency, and that of his writings in general, was of some avail towards promoting a healthy and reasonable acceptance of the Christian faith. This brings us, after a somewhat lengthy preamble, to the proper subject of our two Illustrations, which requires only the briefest mention.

It is the Parsonage or Rectory House of Eversley, where Charles Kingsley lived, with the grave in the parish churchyard, where his body was laid on Thursday week. Eversley is a village of nine hundred souls, including the fine old mansion, park, and hamlet of Bramshill, four miles north of the Winchicled station on the main line of the London and South-Western Railway, and hardly fifty miles from London. It

a village of nine hundred souls, including the fine old mansion, park, and hamlet of Bramshill, four miles north of the Winchfield station on the main line of the London and South-Western Railway, and hardly fifty miles from London. It stands on the little river Blackwater, which joins the Thames between Reading and Henley. It is within sight of the Wellington Military College, to the east, and within car-shot, on a field-day, of the guns at Aldershott, or on the Chobham Ranges. The country around Eversley is described in Kingsley's pleasant sketch of a morning ride through "My Winter Garden," as he used to call the fifteen miles of breezy moorland, with its "four sorts of evergreens"—namely, the plantations of Scotch firs, the holly-bushes, the furze, and the heather. It is here that the musical cry of the hounds after a fox almost tempts him to gallop away, and to neglect his pastoral duty of reading the Bible with four poor old women at three o'clock that atternoon. Charles Kingsley lived among those simple rustic folk thirty-two years. He went there as curate in 1812, when first ordained by Bishop Sumner. In 1844 the living, estimated at £500 a year, was given him by the patron, the late Sir John Cope, Bart., of Bramshill Park, father of the present Rev. Sir William Cope. With reference to Charles Kingsley's previous education, it should have been stated its earlier years were at the Helston Grammar School, in Cornwall, under the Rev. Derwent Coleridge, how rector of Hanwell), but he was afterwards at King's Cellege, London, and at Magdalen College, Oxford. The funeral last week, though privately and quietly managed, was an occasion of deep interest. The Bishop of Winchester, the Deaus of Westminster, St. Paul's, and Chester, were present, with Colonel the Hon. A. Fitzmaurice, representing the Prince of Wales, Professor Max Müller, of Oxford, and Mr. Maemillan, the publisher. Dean Stanley read the service, and on Sunday, at the Abboy, preached a funeral sermon on the death of his beloved friend.

OLD FORTIFICATIONS OF PORTSMOUTH.

The fortifications of Portsmouth, now deemed useless for the The fortifications of Portsmouth, now deemed useless for the protection of the town, have been condemned by the War Office authorities, and their removal is now in progress. King Edward IV. first creeted fortifications for the defence of this town and port. Richard III. made additions, and Edward VI. improved them. They were greatly extended by Charles II., James II., and William III., but the works now to be removed were creeted between 1770 and 1790. Their removal cannot fail to be of great benefit to the town. The space covered by them, amounting to some hundreds of acres, will then become available for building: the railway terminus may also be brought nearer to some hundreds of acres, will then become available for building; the railway terminus may also be brought nearer to the Government establishment. The authorities, it is said, intend to retain some part of the reclaimed ground for the extension of the New Gun Wharf, and to take in, for the same purpose, some of the older portion of the town.

Our Illustration represents the works now in progress at the north-west angle of the fortification. The earthworks of the ramparts are utilised in filling up the extensive moat. The old, dilapidated building, shown in the Engraving is pointed out as having been the "Government House" of two or three centuries ago.

At the last meeting of the directors of the Manchester Athenaeum it was intimated by M. W. R. Callender, M.P., the han see, that a complete set of meteorological instruments has been offered to the institution by Mr. W. Aransberg, optician, of that city, who has made similar gifts to the Manchester Royal Exchange and Townhall. Within the last two years Mr. Aronsberg has presented spectacles to Lancashire boards of guardians for the use of aged paupers to the number of 16,000 pairs. He has made useful gifts to infirmaries, hespitals, lunatic asylums, and guels throughout the north of England. His benefactions also include 200 boxes of mathematical instruments to the Manchester School Board and to the Lancashire and Cheshire Union Mechanics' Institutes.

NEW BOOKS.
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Colonial history, which throws fresh light on the workings of social life under new circumstances, is apt to be instructive, though it be that of "a day of small things," in the infancy of a distant provincial commonwealth. Several works of this kind have lately made their appearance. We notice their frequent publication, just now, as a token of the increasing attention with which our statesmen, men of business, economists, and philanthropists seem inclined to regard the growth of the British colonies. In North America, in South Africa, and in Australasia, the aggregate English population of those communities is now probably not under six millions. They are, certainly, not the least energetic and intelligent part of the English nation. It may safely be predicted that their numbers will be doubled or trebled, and their industrial wealth multiplied in a still greater proportion, within the lifetime of middle-aged men. Few national questions, therefore, seem to exceed in practical importance that of the soundness of their prosperity, and that of their permanent connection with the British Empire. We believe that the present Ministry is already engaged in the serious study of this grand Imperial interest, with a view not to dictatorial and patronising interference, but to promote any judicious and acceptable schemes of consolidation. It is well that, under the auspices of a late Government, the British North American provinces were encouraged and enabled to unite, federally, in what is now styled the Dominion of Canada. If it should prove feasible, not immediately, but in the course of a few years, to bring the Cape Colony, its castern and western provinces, with British Kaffraria, Natal, and their outlying dependencies, into a convenient union, some benefits might accrue. The five existing provinces of the Australian mainland, which are New South Wales, Victoria, South Australia, Queensland, and West Australia, together with the neighbouring island of Tasmania, may lik than that of nine provincial governments. And why should not the British West Indies be led to group themselves together in another federal union? These are very interesting problems to observe, and it will soon be found that they concern the substantial welfare of the parent State in more ways than

We are therefore disposed to commend the authors of such books as here come under our notice relating to the past experience of the colonies. The one which first claims attention, by its more imposing title and form, is the Rev. Dr. Lang's Historical and Statistical Account of New South Wales, in two volumes, published by Messrs. Sampson Low and Co. But readers who have long been accustomed, for any reason, to take a particular interest in the affairs of Australia must by this time know what they are to expect from Dr. Lang. That gentleman, during fifty years' residence in the colony, has played a most active part in constitutional and legislative discussions, which were so hotly contested as to excite a high degree of personal feeling. His zeal for the public welfare, and the utility of his services upon more than one important occasion, cannot be fairly impugned; and few persons can equal him in acquaintance with colonial society; but his temper is not that of an impartial historian. It is with the restless pertinacity of an eager controversialist, and in the tone of a platform or pulpit declaimer, that he pursues the ghosts of deceased Governors and other officials, and a crowd of his fellow-colonists, named or unnamed, through the narrative of their manifold misdeeds. A more censorious work of the historical kind has seldom come in our way; but Dr. Lang is a Scotch Presbyterian clergyman, as well as a colonial patriot, and doubtless feels himself especially appointed to condemn the immorality of his neighbours.

Nothing too bad, indeed, can be said of the earlier social life of New South Wales, at the period when it was merely a place of detention and occupation for British convicts, guarded by a volunteer corps of covetous and licentious speculators on the outlay of Government funds. Every man who could, by enerally supposed. We are therefore disposed to commend the authors of such

place of detention and occupation for British convicts, guarded by a volunteer corps of covetous and licentious speculators on the outlay of Government funds. Every man who could, by his influence with official persons, get a license for the sale of rum, then employed all his industry to debauch the labouring class of bondsmen. This systematic and organised practice of corruption, as described by the reverend author, was tolerated or not resolutely opposed by several of the early Governors; and Captain Bligh, who first set his face steadily against it, was overthrown in 1809 by an insurrection of the colonial militia approaching high treason. But his successor, General Macquarie, by showing undue favour to the class of emancipated convicts and by discountenancing the free immigrant settlers, is said to have much retarded the social progress of New South Wales. The next Governor, Sir Thomas Brisbane, has other mistakes to answer for, and is declared to have done no good at all for the colony he ruled. In the adminisbane, has other mistakes to answer for, and is declared to have done no good at all for the colony he ruled. In the administration of General Darling, from 1825 to 1831, four successive cras are distinguished—the era of excitement and mad speculation in the purchase of cattle and sheep at enormous prices, the era of consequent depression and private bankruptcies, the era of disastrous droughts, and the era of libels, or peevish squabbles with the colonial press.

All this makes very unpleasant reading; but we persevere through its perusal, in the hope of reaching a happier period. It has usually been considered that Sir Richard Bourke's Government, from 1831 to the end of 1837, was a good time for New South Wales, the only Australian colony then in existence, and to which Tasmania was attached. This view is, on the whole, borne out by Dr. Lang's account of the improve-

on the whole, borne out by Dr. Lang's account of the improva-ments then effected. The policy of selling the waste lands instead of giving them away to favourites created a revenue which in 1837 amounted to nearly £130,000. By its applica-tion to the suppose of impacting favourity applicainstead of giving them away to favourites created a revenue which in 1837 amounted to nearly £130,000. By its application to the purpose of importing free labourers and their families from England the colony might have realised the greatest benefit. But little more than one fifth of the money so raised during Sir R. Bourke's administration was so applied, and this operation was badly managed. It was in the last year of that Government that Lord Glenelg, then Secretary of State for the Colonies, organised an Emigration Office in this country, at the expense of the New South Wales land fund. Dr. Lang has a right to congratulate himself upon the efforts which he made, about that time, to send out four thousand of the hardy and laborious people of the Scottish Highlands and Islands, then suffering lamentable destitution. He endeavoured, also, to send to Australia a large party of German vine-dressers; but they were intercepted at Rio de Janeiro by the agency of the Brazilian Government. In spite of social and personal disagreements, this was an era of progress. The population of New South Wales grew to 85,100. Its territory was vastly extended by the discovery of fertile and greassy tracts in the interior. The first explorations beyond the Blue Mountains were made under Governor Macquarie; but it was by Messrs. Hovell and Hume, and subsequently by Sir Thomas Mitchell, that the Murray and Murrambidgee rivers were followed in their westward course to the borders of what is now Victoria, called by Mitchell "Australia Felix."

So early, however, as 1834 or 1835 its southern shores, around Port Phillip, began to be colonised by sheep-owners from Van Diemen's Land. In October, 1836, Port Phillip was made a regular settlement, attached to New South Wales, which at that time also claimed jurisdiction over New Zealand.

The administration of Sir George Gipps, from 1838 to 1846, is next related and criticised by Dr. Lang. Its grand error was the system of giving a fictitious value to building allotments of land in town districts. By the mad speculation thus attificially produced both in Sydney and in Melbourne, as well as in Adelaide under a different Governor, many persons were ruined. We have frequently conversed with returned Australian colonists of that period, who deplored the extravagance which was then so rife. It was in a great degree the iault of Governor Gipps, who received an official censure, accordingly, from Lord John Russell. The all but universal bankruptcy of the colony, about 1843, would have been yet more disastrous, but for the ability of leading men in its first Legislative Council. Among these were the late Mr. W. C. Wentworth; the present Sir Charles Cowper, now Agent-General for New South Wales in London; the late Mr. Windeyer; and the Right Hon. Robert Lowe, late her Majesty's Chancellor of the Exchequer. Butwe have not leisure to examine their acts, upon which Dr. Lang, himself then a member of the Council, has many remarks to offer. The continued advance of interior exploration, both westward and northward, but especially the discoveries of Dr. Leichardt along the north coast of Australia, are an interesting topic. The narrative, however, again plunges into the mire of scandalous personalities, in treating of Sir Charles Fitzroy's period of official residence, from August, 1346, to January, 1855. Declining to look at that aspect of colonial affairs, which Dr. Lang reproves with severe indignation, we observe the rise, in 1849, of the vehement controversy respecting the penal transportation of convicts from Great

"The Coming Event," published in 1850. We totally disapprove of the notion, which we believe has now very few supporters in any of the colonies, though it is pretty well understood that the Imperial Government.will never compel their allegiance by force.

Dr. Lang, in short, is a man of political crotchets, pedantic, priggish, and intolerant in the extreme. His ancedotes of social life in the colony are highly characteristic; and we cannot but feel some respect for his zeal on behalf of morality and evangelical religion. His views of agricultural and industrial economy seem likewise to merit attention. But it is hard to accept, without much qualification, the grievous charges he has brought against such a long succession of public men. The eleventh Governor, Sir William Denison, who came after Sir Charles Fitzroy, in 1855, is treated with many epithets of seom for disregarding the opinions of Dr. Lang upon certain boundary questions. These questions we cannot pretend to discuss; and the only territorial results we find of general interest, going somewhat farther back, are the separation of Victoria Province from New South Wales, in 1851, and the creation of Queensland, in 1859, as another separate province. In procuring the administrative and legislative independence of both those noble provinces, Dr. Lang took a most active part, and gained a fair title to enduring historical remembrance among the founders of the Australian Commonwealths.

The last three Governors of New South Wales—namely, Sir John Young, from 1861 to the end of 1867, the Earl of Belmore, and Sir Hercules Robinson, who now reigns at Sydney—have not proved so displeasing to Dr. Lang as their unlucky predecessors. They have, indeed, by the working of constitutional government, with a Ministry responsible to the Assembly, been exempted from the burden of initiating or maintaining a policy. The country so ruled, which has been outstripped for a time by Victoria, the younger province, in wealth and population, is now likely to recover the lead in

in essays of poetry and romance to celebrate the valour and the genius of the departing Maori race, as Fenimore Cooper did for the Red Indians of North America. That graceful poem, by Mr. F. Domett, "Ranolf and Amohia," was noticed some time ago: and in the prose tales of "Ena." by Mr. Wilson, of Wellington, and "Maoria," by Captain Johnstone, of Auckland, the same kind of interest was recognised. The latest production of this class is To Row: or, The Maoria t Home (Sampson Low and Co.), by Mr. John White, native interpreter at Auckland, but formerly resident magistrate and land-purchase commissioner at Wanganui. It is a tale of savage life, of fierce warfare, adventure, cruelty, and superstition, but still of natural human affections, and is related in a fresh and still of natural human affections, and is related in a fresh and

Having so far digressed from colonial history to the department of historical romance, it may here be mentioned that Mr. James Bonwick, author of "The Tasmanian Lily," reappears with Mike Hawe, the Bushranger of Van Diemen's Land (H. S. King and Co.). The picture of convict life in a penal settlement half a century ago is not very agreeable; indeed, that of the precolonial Maori life in New Zealand is much to be preferred. But if, as we doubt not, this picture be truthfully drawn, at least in its main features, let it be allowed for a contribution to our knowledge of the past in that new world of the Antipodes.

SCIENTIFIC RESULTS OF THE MONTH.

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The Channel tunnel is the most prominent engineering topic of the present month; and for the moment Captain Dicey and Mr. Bessemer, with their new Channel steamers, have been quite thrown into the shade. But although there is no reason to doubt that the construction of a tunnel is practicable in an engineering sense, it is pertinent to inquire whether the Channel traffic has ripened sufficiently to remunerate the outlay on so costly a work. The importance of an amended and increased intercourse between France and England is certainly of vast importance to both countries, but especially to France; for, with the great tunnels which open the doors of Italy and Germany, with the improved navigation of the Danube and the resuscitation of Venice and Genoa, the carrying trade through France would become enormous if it were nursed up by proper means to the extent of its capabilities of development. This, however, must be a work of time. At present the Channel traffic, whether at Dover, at Folkestone, or at Newhaven, is quite insignificant. It does not remunerate the present steamers. How, then, can it remunerate the enormous and unknown cost of a tunnel? The reason why the present Channel traffic is so small is because there are no ports, either on the English or French side, which will permit the entrance of large steamers like those at Holyhead. Even if a Channel tunnel were made, rough goods could not afford to use it from the necessarily high rates which would have to be charged; and the construction of harbours would still be necessary before the traffic between the two countries could grow to its natural dimensions. If, however, harbours will be in any case neces-

of large steamers like those at Holyhead. Even if a Channel tunnel were made, rough goods could not afford to use it from the necessarily high rates which would have to be charged; and the construction of harbours would still be necessary before the traffic between the two countries could grow to its natural dimensions. If, however, harbours will be in any case necessary, would it not be the best way to begin with them, as we have done at Holyhead with such marked success? No doubt a tunnel must come; but we think it should be only after a large development of the trade has already been reached. A memor by M. Ville, principal engineer of the mines of Algeria, has lately been published, by which it appears that at the beginning of last year 3445 men were employed in the iron-mines. For some years past iron ore has been imperted into this country from Algeria, but the largest part of the oro mined there is taken to France and the United States. The Aŭr-Murkha iron-mine employs 1555 men, and the bed of ore is about 50 metres thick. This mine in 1873 yielded about half a million tons of ore. Coal has not been found in Algeria, but some promising beds of lignite have been discovered.

M. Planchon, in a paper contributed to the Reuse des Deux Mondes, states that if a thousand trees of the Eucalystus globulus be planted closely together, 500 of them may be cut down in five years worth 600ff, 250 in ten years worth 1323f, 125 in fifteen years worth 600ff, 250 in ten years worth 1323f, 125 in drying up marshy places and in improving the salubrity of the atmosphere we have intimated on several occasions.

Ab a meeting of the Natural Science Society, lately held at Hamburg, an enumeration was given of wax producing plants. The Rhus succedance yields becries from which Japan lacquer is produced. The Klopackia cerifers of northern Brazil—there called Carmanba—yields wax, which is also produced by a myrica growing in Now Grenada and Peru.

It is stated that a Calcutta firm proposes to re-establish the iron manufacture at lea

interposition of indiarubber washers or otherwise.

Bisulphide of carbon is assuming a most important position in the arts by extracting fat or oil from all kinds of refuse materials, which fat or oil may subsequently be recovered by purification. By its aid oil is obtained from grains, from wool, from cotton waste employed to wipe machinery, from the black grease taken from waggon axles, from parafilne, from bones, and from a great number of other substances. It is also used to extract bitumen from schists. The waste is very small.

The very able address delivered by Sir George Campbell during the past month before the Society of Arts on the means of rendering the industrial skill and resourses of England useful in developing the resources of India will be recognised by all who know India as a most valuable contribution towards a

all who know India as a most valuable contribution towards a full elucidation of the important topic he discussed. One reason why India has been so long stagnant is because the old East India Company, notwithstanding their great merits as rulers, were penetrated by the commercial appetite for monopoly and did not wish to see interlopers, as all were called who entered the country unbidden, to obtain any footing whatever in the country. Their own servants were wholly incompetent, entered the country unbidden, to obtain any footing whatever in the country. Their own servants were wholly incompetent, even if disposed, to instruct the natives in any useful art; and in the public works, executed nominally by engineer officers who had no real engineering knowledge, the native idea always predominated, and the structure, instead of representing the arts of Europe, represented only the measure of knowledge of the native foreman or contractor. When railways came to be made in India under the direction of competent engineers imported from Europe the state of things was very much changed, and we then began to instruct the natives instead of their instructing us. But in agriculture and in such of the arts as are affected by climate it was of course impossible to import European methods, and the best methods for such a country still remain to be determined. Thus much, however, is certain—that in all tropical countries fertility mainly however, is certain—that in all tropical countries fertility mainly

depends upon irrigation; and how best to husband and distribute every drop of water is a problem with which European engineers can deal. We think with Sir George Campbell that it is most important that intelligent East Indians should visit this country to learn how to practise all our arts at home; and, as Lord Salisbury lately pointed out, we believe that with good materials and cheap labour India will yet become a great manufacturing country in which development English capital may profitably sid. may profitably aid.

ROYAL INSTITUTION LECTURES.

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Professor Duncan, F.R.S., began his third lecture on Physical Geography on Thursday week, Jan. 27, by alluding to ithe principal features of ordinary mountains, and remarking that volcanic mountains specially differ from them in being situated upon sedimentary strata, which do not enter into their composition. They are also solitary, or in linear series, or in smaller or larger groups; their elegant slopes and conical shapes depend upon the method of accumulation; they are formed of minerals which came through the sedimentary strata in a molten condition; they are restricted to definite geographical areas; and they are, comparatively speaking, rare. Nevertheless, they are the result of the transformation of the same energy—the internal heat of the globe. Some are still in process of formation, some are extinct, and some are active and intermittent. Having pointed out the principal volcanoes on a large map of the world, the Professor alluded to submarine volcanoes, whose existence is usually brief, and stated that volcanic mountains are not found over vast tracts of continents, but usually occur near large bodies of water, on areas of nents, but usually occur near large bodies of water, on areas of elevation, or close to areas of subsidence. Their extinction was attributed to such physical geographical changes as would produce increase of the land and the departure of the sea. The details of these mountains were next described, including The details of these mountains were next described, including the shape, cone, crater, pipe, slope, base, and fumaroles. The nature of the substances ejected was also commented on—viz., the lava, scoriae or slag, lapilli or consolidated blocks, tufa, pumice, and ash or sand. A volcano is the product of one or many cruptions, worn down by disintegrating effects of the atmosphere, solar heat, frost, and rain. As an illustration of the origin of a volcano, Professor Duncan gave an account of the rise and progress of Jorullo, in Mexico, in 1759, now extinct; and also referred to the history of Vesuvius as an example of an intermittent volcano. The chemical character of the substances ejected by volcanoes was next considered in relation to the various theories concerning their causation propounded by Mallet and others. The volcanic force is possibly due to super-heated steam coming in contact with dissolving rock. After explaining Bunsen and Tyndall's theory respecting the geysers of Iceland, Professor Duncan concluded by expressing his opinion that the store of energy for contraction and for volcanicity in our globe was greater in past times than it is now, and that calmness and repose are the prospective results of diminishing energy.

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Professor Huxley, F.R.S., began his discourse at the Friday evening meeting, Jan. 29, by alluding to the sailing of H.M.S. Challenger in December, 1872, the nature of her mission, the completeness of her equipment under the direction of the then First Lord of the Admiralty, Mr. Gosehen, and her expected return in the spring of 1876. Her work, he said, is now more than half done, and important results have been obtained. Before considering these, the Professor gave an interesting sketch of the state of our knowledge before 1872 of the nature of the bottom of the sea and the limits of life below 600 feet. Sir John Ross in Baffin's Bay, in 1818, by his ingenious machine brought up from the depth of 6300 feet several pounds of fine greenish mud, the nature of which was not determined till 1853, when Ehrenberg examined similar mud obtained by Penny, in latitude 73 deg. and 74 deg. N., and found it to consist of diatoms (vegetable) and radiolaria (animal), both living at the surface, and sponges (animal) living at the bottom. Other observations proved this mud to be purely silicious; and it was eventually ascertained that in the north circumpolar area there exists a zone of silicious deposit. After referring to Ehrenberg's discovery that organisms similar to those whose skeletons sometimes constitute the whole mass of cretaceous and tertiary rocks are still living. Professor Huxley adverted to Ross and Hooker's observations at the distant points of the antarctic zone in 1839, showing the existence of a zone of silicious deposit similar to that at the north pole. These results have been confirmed by the Challenger. The discovery of the nature of the sediment forming the bottom of the intermediate zone of silicoalcareous deposit is due to Ehrenberg's examination of Berryman's sounding down to 12,000 ft., between Newfoundland and the Azores, in 1853, when he found the mass to be chiefly calcareous, and based on it his concl clay; and, 2, that when the ordinary globigerina ooze has its matter removed a residuum of fine red clay Taking these facts as a basis for deduction, he said that, supposing a globe to be covered with water uniformly to a depth of 12,000 ft., the tidal and current movements would be insufficient to cause any important amount of degradation of the solid crust, and there would be little sedimentary de-posit; but if the lowest forms of vegetable and animal life were introduced there might result an accumulation of their remains, till they formed beds of rottenstone and chalk many thousand feet thick. The rottenstone raich the converted into thousand feet thick. The rottenstone might be converted into opal or perhaps quartzite, while the chalk might be converted into crystalline limestone, and thus all traces of their origin would disappear. If the silicio-calcareous area were raised to within 1000 ft., and others depressed to 18,000 ft., the former might give rise to green sand and the latter to red clay and both might be metamorphosed into great varieties. This imaginary world would eventually be covered with more or less extensive patches of all the most important rocks which enter into the composition of the globe in great thickness, every particle of which would at one time have formed part of a living organism. In his concluding remarks Professor Huxley

commented on the results obtained by the Challenger expedition as confirmatory of the doctrine of uniformitarianism in relation to the formation of our globe as advocated by Lyell. The Duke of Northumberland was in the chair.

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Mr. John T. Wood, director of the late Government excavations at Ephesus, on Saturday last began a course of four lectures on the results obtained. After describing the city he gave a brief history of its rise, progress, and decline, to its present utter describen; referring also to the remote worship of Diana in the Ephesian territory, the goddess being at first represented by a simple tree-stump, and afterwards, as her worship developed, as a motherly fostering goddess of earth, life, vegetation, animals, and men. The Amazons are connected with the worship of a moon-goddess by an old Arabic tradition, and all Asia Minor abounded with rough unshapen figures of this deity, by the Greeks called Artemis. Heroules is said to have founded Ephesus, n.c. 1250, and his descendants are frequently alluded to in the history of the city. Androclus and his followers settled in the territory and founded one of the twelve cities of the Ionian confederacy, n.c. 1044; and even at that time there was, no doubt, a temple of Diana of rude design; and Pausanias (in the 2nd century A.D.) describes the sepulchre of Androclus as situate between the temple and the Magnesian gate. Eventually Ephesus was subjugated by the Romans, under whom it flourished. The preaching of St. Paul made many converts, and the successful progress of Christianity doubtless hastened the fall of the Temple of Diana, which was destroyed towards the end of the third century. The city was taken by the Turks in the thirteenth century, and they built a considerable town at Ayasalouk, to which Ephesus became a mere suburt; and, as the district became more and more unhealthy, both places were gradually deserted, the inhabitants settling themselves, about 200 years ago, at Tchirkenjer, a village on the side of the mountain to the east of the plain, and Ayasalouk does not now contain many more than twenty persons. Mr. Wood, at his own expense, began the search for the Temple of Dianain

DEVELOPMENT OF ANIMALS.—THE GASTRULA PHASE.

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Mr. E. Ray Lankester began his fourth lecture on the l'edigree of the Animal Kingdom, on Tuesday last, by observing that it had been shown that the seven great tribes of animals are all connected at the base of their pedigree by their origin from a unicellular ancestor, and that six of them rise above this phase, and exhibit the mulberry phase. Next to this is the gastrula phase, which is found in the earthworm, and discoverable also in all the groups; while the zoophytes, or animal plants, at the present time practically retain the essential structure of the gastrula, or gastricle, without any important addition. This gastricle, or little stomach, is composed of two layers of cells, an outer wall (cetoderm) and an inner wall (endoderm), so forming a cavity into which an opening or mouth leads. Through this phase all the higher animals pass. Mr. Lankester commented on the varied development of this organ in several kinds of animals, especially in zoophytes. Through this phase all the higher animals pass. Air. Lankester commented on the varied development of this organ in several kinds of animals, especially in zoophytes. In a calcareous sponge the egg stage is succeeded by a well-formed mulberry stage, which by delamination gives rise to the gastrula, the mouth of which subsequently breaks through. The embryo at first swims about, then becomes fixed; pores break through the sides; calcareous needles are deposited; and by means of internal cilia a current is set up, bringing in water from which it obtains food at the small pores, ejecting it at the mouth. This single person by budding gives rise to others, and these by coalescence form one mass—a common sponge, or rather the horny skeleton of it, each of the big holes representing the mouth of a number of sponge-persons fused together. Polyps and corals were also adduced as examples of the zoophytes permanently representing a phase which the higher animals temporarily pass through. After pointing out various parts of structure in which all agree, Mr. Lankester selected the worms as living representatives of that descendant of the gastrula from which the four great and strongly marked groups of star-fishes, insects, molluses, and vertebrates have sprung. Those worms which most closely resemble the post-gastrula larval stages of these four highest tribes are the wheel animal-cules or rotifera; and their structure was specially considered—reference being made to the body cavity, nerve-ganglion, primitive kidneys, and velum or ciliated swimming organ. reference being made to the body cavity, nerve-ganglion, primitive kidneys, and velum or ciliated swimming organ. The lecture was fully illustrated by large beautiful diagrams.

Mr. W. R. Greg will give a discourse on Life at High Pressure at the next Friday evening meeting, Feb. 12.

THE DUFFLA EXPEDITION.

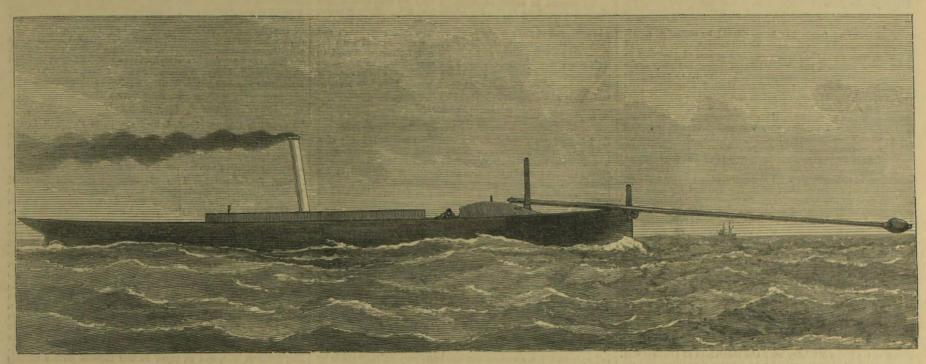
It seems likely that the mere advance of the military expedition under Brigadier-General Stafford into the hill country north of the Assam frontier will bring the Dufflas and Abore to submission. The occasion and plan of this campaign, and the geographical position of its scene of action, have been described in a letter we published a week or two ago. The staff officer to whom we were then indebted for views of Gowhatty, on the great river Brahmapootra, and of the hills to the north of its right bank, with the snowy mountains of Thibet in the distance, has sent us a couple more views, which appear north of its right bank, with the snowy mountains of Thibet in the distance, has sent us a couple more views, which appear in our Engravings. One of them represents Narrainpore, eight miles up the Dikrung river, which is a tributary of the Brahmapootra. At this place has been established the main dépôt of the expedition. The next post or station is Harmuttee, situated higher up on the Dikrung, at the mouth of the pass leading into the Duffla hills. This place is shown in our correspondent's second sketch. A few sheds and huts are here erected for the troops resting on their way, and for the detachment guarding this post. Canoes on the rivers are employed to carry stores up to the next station, which is at Horpani, where the stream of that name joins the Dikrung. The fourth post onward is at Hurjoolee, in the midst of the hills, five or six miles beyond Borpani. General Statford and his staff moved from Harmuttee to Borpani on Dec. 10. A telegram of the 23rd, published in the Calcutta Englishman, states that Pakfi had surrendered his five captives, and had come into the of the 23rd, published in the Calcutta Englishman, states that Pakfi had surrendered his five captives, and had come into the camp and made submission. A subsequent telegram in the same paper announces the surrender of eight more captives by different Abor chiefs, and adds that only three now remain to



THE DUFFLA EXPEDITION: NARRAINPORE, ON THE DIRECTOR RIVER, THE CHIEF DEPOT OF THE DUFFLA EXPEDITION.



HARMUTTEE, AT THE MOUTH OF THE PASS INTO THE DUFFLA HILLS.



A NEW TORPEDO LAUNCH.

A TORPEDO STEAM-LAUNCH.

A high-speed torpedo steam-launch has just been built for the Argentine Republic by Messrs. Yarrow and Hedley, of Poplar. The little craft is designed to run quickly up to an enemy's vessel, to discharge a torpedo under her bottom, and to retire still more quickly—that is, provided the enemy permits her to do so. For these purposes she has been admirably designed, and appears to be well adapted. She measures 55 ft. in length, with a beam of 7 ft., and is built throughout of Lowmoor iron plates with steel ribs and framing. Her engines are on the high-pressure non-condensing principle, and of 60 (indicated) horse power, taking steam from a boiler of the locomotive type at 150 lb. working pressure. She is fitted with a three-bladed screw-propeller of 3 ft. 3 in. diameter and 3 ft. 6 in. pitch, and her contract speed is a continuous run of seventy miles in five hours. On her run at the measured mile she developed an average speed of 12½ knots per hour. The torpedo gear consists of a spar 25 ft. long, which is run out over the bows, and on the fore end of which the torpedo is fixed. The torpedo is a copper cylindrical case, capable of containing about 60 lb. of lithofracteur, dynamite, or guncotton. The torpedo pole, with the torpedo secured at the end, is lowered under the surface of the water when going into action, and immediately upon coming into contact with the ship's side the explosion takes place. The intensity of the explosion clearly depends upon the composition of the torpedo and its size, but as the explosion occurs at the instant of actual contact with the skin of the ship, it has far greater effect than if any intervening space of water existed. It has been found that with usual charges if the explosion takes place 10 ft. below the water, and the pole projects some 25 ft., there is little danger to the launch itself if well built and properly handled. In the present case the torpedo is exploded by electricity and not by percussion. But, as the electric circuit is completed by contact made on striking t



THE LATE LORD ST. LEONARDS.

system in causing the explosion at the exact moment required is obtained, while, at the same time, the galvanic battery which is placed in the launch can be connected or not at pleasure; consequently the explosion is completely under the control of the men in the launch, and this provision greatly reduces the risk in handling such dangerous weapons. When going into action the crew are protected from rife-shots by sliding steel shields. The fore part of the torpedo is fitted with a contact circuit-closer, from which a couple of insulated wires pass through the charge, and are led up to the battery, which is placed in the fore part of the boat. The electric fuse, which is of platinum, is connected to the return-wire in the centre of the charge, an extra wire being attached to the return-wire a little forward of the fuse. This wire is also connected with the battery, and has a hand circuit-closer attached to it, by which means the charge can be exploded by the operator on board the launch, if desired. This hand circuit-closer is a small ebonite cylinder, having a spring which is pressed down to effect the firing. The torpedo gear has been constructed by Captain M'Evoy, of the London Ordnance Works, from the designs of Captain Hunter Davidson, and its efficiency was satisfactorily tested at the trial on Saturday by running a blind torpedo, fused, against a vessel, when the fuse detonated, as it did also when fired by hand from on board the launch. The speed of the little vessel was also proved to be excellent, a run from Greenwich Pier to London Bridge, with a slight tide against her, being made in twenty-one minutes, inclusive of two stoppages. Altogether, the torpedo-launch is a very creditable construction, and behaved to the expressed satisfaction of Lieutenant Bell, who was present on behalf of the Argentine Government.

Lieutenant-Colonel Hadfield, of the Madras Invalid Establishment, who greatly distinguished himself in the Chinese war of 1841, has been awarded the good-service pension rendered vacant by the death of Colonel R. S. Wilson.



DEMOLITION OF THE OLD FORTIFICATIONS AT PORTSMOUTH.

CHANGES IN PARLIAMENT.

Although the present Parliament is scarcely a year old, very considerable changes have occurred in the personnel of both

The House of Lords has been altered by casualty, accession, and creation. Its necrology includes the Duke of Leinster, who, until the raising of the Marquis of Abercorn to sion, and creation. Its necrology includes the Duke of Leinster, who, until the raising of the Marquis of Abercorn to a dukedom, enjoyed the distinction of being the only Duke which the pecrage of Ireland possessed. He sat in the Upper House by virtue of a barony of the United Kingdom. His Grace died in the fulness of years, and with the respect that followed a blameless and at the same time useful life in the sphere in which he moved. He was succeeded by his eldest son, the Marquis of Kildare, who was called to the House of Peers, during his father's life-time, in 1870. A notable man in several ways while he lived, the Marquis of Clanricarde died, having passed the age of three-score and ten; and the Marquis of Downshire also passed away. Well known as Mr. Fox Maule, and better still as Lord Panmure, at an advanced age, died the Earl of Dalhousie; while the Earl of Egmont was also taken from the roll of Peers. In the obituary of noblemen of the rank of Baron stand the names of Lord Rossmore, Lord Thurlow, Lord Forester, Lord Sondes, and Lord Kesteven, the latter a comparatively new creation, and who, as Sir John Trollope, was for many years a prominent member of the House of Commons. Three law lords have paid the debt of nature—namely, Lord Romilly, until very recently and for many years Master of the Rolls; Lord Colonsay, who was for a long time the Lord President of the Scottish judicial Bench, and who, when he retired, was created a Peer of the United Kingdom for the purpose of strengthening the appelmany years Master of the Rolls; Lord Colonsay, who was for a long time the Lord President of the Scottish judicial Bench, and who, when he retired, was created a Peer of the United Kingdom for the purpose of strengthening the appellate tribunal of the House of Lords, especially in reference to appeals from Scotland; and, last and not least in years and legal honours, Lord St. Leonards. In the case of Lord Colonsay only, of all those mentioned, has a title become extinct. The going out of one Ministry and the coming in of another was as ever celebrated by the creation of a number of Peers. Thus, ere he yielded power, Mr. Gladstone rewarded the services of Mr. Cardwell, his Minister for War, with a viscounty; Mr. Bruce, his Home Secretary and President of the Council, was created Lord Aberdare; Sir James Moncreiff, who held the office of Lord Advocate of Scotland in every Liberal Government for the last twenty years, until his elevation to the Scotlish Bench as Lord Justice Clerk, was made Lord Moncreiff; and Sir John Duke Coleridge, who was successively Solicitor and Attorney General under the Gladstone Government, and then Lord Chief Justice of the Common Pleas, was made a Baron. The title of Lord Emly was conferred on Mr. Monsell on his relinquishing the office of Postmaster-General; while Mr. Chichester Fortescue, who was Secretary for Ireland, and efterwards President of the Board of Trade in the Cabinet of Mr. Chichester Fortescue, who was Secretary for Ireland, and afterwards President of the Board of Trade, in the Cabinet of Mr. Gladstone, became Lord Carlingford. Shortly after Mr. Disraeli became Prime Minister the dignity of a Baron, with the title of Lord Cottesloe was conferred on Sir Thomas Fremantle, who was an active official (he was whipper-in in chief for some time) in the days when Sir Robert Peel flourished, and for a long time Chairman of the Board of Customs. No and for a long time Chairman of the Board of Customs. No place being available in the Conservative Ministry for that well-tried official Sir John Pakington, his disappointment, if any, was solaced by his being created Lord Hampton; the long and valuable services of Mr. Hammond, as Permanent Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, were acknowledged by his being raised to the Peerage as Baron Hammond; while Colonel Wilson-Patten, well known and so greatly respected and esteemed in the House of Commons, quitted the scene which he had long adorned on becoming Lord Winmarleigh.

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The changes in the House of Commons have been considerable. The first general election under the operation of the Ballot was productive of numerous petitions resulting in unseating of members for corrupt practices—of course, always the fault of their agents. Some gentlemen have winged their upward flight to the House of Peers, and others have gone to that bourne from which no traveller returns. Vacancies were created by the result of petitions against the return of members for Hackney, Wakefield, Stroud (there have been no less than three petitions and three unseating of members returned in succession for this borough, while the last vacancy is not yet filled up), Dudley, Mayo, Poole, Haverfordwest, Durham (city), North Durham, Wigton Burghs, Boston, Galway (city), and Kidderminster. In Hackney Mr. John Holms, the former member, was re-elected; but Sir Charles Reed did not ask to be rechosen, and Mr. Fawcett now fills his place. At Wakefield Mr. Kemp Sanderson replaced Mr. E. Green; in Mayo Mr. O'Connor Power succeeded Mr. Tighe; at Poole Mr. Waring was succeeded by the Hon. Evelyn Ashley; at Haverfordwest Lord Kensington, though unseated, was not disqualified, and he was re-elected. Almost before the general election was completed Lord St. Lawrance vacated his seat for the city of Galway, on becoming Earl of Howth, and Mr. O'Donnell was chosen in his room; but having been declared on petition to have been unduly elected, Dr. Ward Succeeded. The Wigton Burghs were deprived of Mr. Mark Stewart's services only for a short time, for though unseated he was re-elected; and the like happened to Mr. H. B. Sheridan in regard to Dudley, and to Mr. O. M. Palmer in regard to North Durham. Mr. Herschell took the place of Mr. Henderson for Durham city; and Mr. Lothian Bell having been unseated for the northern division of the county, Sir George Elliott, who represented Kidderminster Mr. Albert Grant was exchanged for SirW. Fraser.

The vacancies caused by members of the Lower House being called by creation or succession, to the House of Lords, were at Oxford City, by the raising of Mr. Cardwell to a viscounty, and his place was supplied by Mr. Hall, a gentleman of note in the locality. North Lancashire, by the same cause, lost Colonel Wilson-Patten, and Mr. Clifton was chosen in his strend. The Right Hun General Forester who was the cause, lost Colonel Wilson-Patten, and Mr. Clifton was chosen in his stead. The Right Hon. General Forester, who was the father of the House and who had represented Wenlock since 1830, and therefore before the first Reform Bill, succeeded to his brother's peerage as Lord Forester, and his place in the borough was taken by Mr. Cecil Weld Forester, his relative. Mr. Charles Perceval having become Earl of Egmont, the borough of Midhurst is now represented by Sir Henry Holland; and the Hon. G. W. Milles, having succeeded his father as Lord Sondes, left the eastern division of Kent, and Sir Wyndham Knatchbull sits, or will sit, in his place.

Vacancies by death have occurred at Northampton, where Mr. Charles Gilpin has been succeeded by Mr. G. C. Merewether, Q.C.; Cambridgeshire has lost Lord George Manners, and the seat has been filled by the choice of Mr. Hunter Rodwell, Q.C.; Mr. John Lard's death left a void in Birkenhead, which has been supplied by Mr. David M'Ivor; and Mr. E. G. Davenport's premature death rendered an election necessary for St. Ives, which resulted in the return of Mr. Charles C. Praed. The relevation of Dr. Ball to the Lord Mr. Charles C. Praed. The elevation of Dr. Ball to the Lord

Chancellorship of Ireland left a seat open for the University of Dublin, and it has been supplied by Mr. Gibson, an Irish Q.C.

In regard to other changes, it may be said that a new election was obliged to take place for the Falkirk Burghs, because of an informality in the proceedings when Mr. Ramsay was returned at the general election; but that gentleman got back the seat unopposed. Mr. Callan was returned both for Dundalk and the county of Louth, and, having preferred to sit for the former, Mr. George Kirk was chosen to represent the latter. The political and party result of all the changes which have taken place is that the Liberals have lost seats at Oxford, North Durham, Boston, and Northampton.

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Last Saturday's Crystal Palace concert consisted chiefly of a performance of Beethoven's Mass in C, that sublime work which would have remained without parallel but for the still more sublime Mass in D, which the composer produced in his latest period of development. The Mass in C was composed in 1807, seven years after "The Mount of Olives," the first of Beethoven's important essays in sacred music, this being a work full of beauty and dramatic power, but possessing little, if any, of that reverential, religious tone which characterises the mass throughout. In this respect none of the many masses of Haydn and Mozart can be compared to it—those of Cherubini, perhaps, offering the nearest approach in grandeur and elevation. Saturday's performance of the mass referred to included the co-operation of the Crystal Palace choir, the fine band of the establishment, and Misses Blanche Cole and Julia Elton, Mr. Vernon Rigby, and Mr. Lewis Thomas as solo vocalists, Mr. Manns having conducted, and Dr. Stainer having presided at the organ. An interesting novelty at this concert was the first performance in England of Herr Carl Reinecke's orchestral adaptation of Robert Schumann's "Bilder aus Osten," six characteristic pieces originally composed as pianoforte duets. The arrangement has been very skilfully made by the excellent Leipsic capellmeister, and the result is a welcome addition to the stores of orchestral music. Mr Arthur Sullivan's overture, "In Memoriam," and Brahms's variations (for orchestra) on a theme by Haydn, completed the instrumental selection. The solo vocal pieces were the air "Love not the World" (from Mr. Sullivan's "Prodigal Son"), sung by Miss Julia Elton; Mendelssohn's concert scena "Infelice," by Miss Blanche Cole; and the tenor song "The Harbour Bay" (from Mr. J. F. Barnett's "Ancient Mariner") by Mr. Vernon Rigby. At this week's concert Herr Joachim is to make his first appearance this season.

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This week Madame Norman-Néruda and Dr. Hans von Bülow took their leave of the Monday Popular Concerts for the season. Haydn's bright and tuneful quartet in B flat (No 1, op. 71) was finely played by the lady violinist, Messrs L. Ries and Zerbini, and Signor Piatti; the last-named artist and Madame Néruda having co-operated with Dr. von Bülow in Sphor's pianoforte trio in A minor. The great pianist played with special effect Raff's suite in E minor, (the last movement encored, and, with Madame Néruda, Beethoven's sonata in A major (from op. 30) for pianoforte and violin. Miss Alice Fairman was the vocalist, and Sir J. Benedict the accompanist. At next Monday's concert Herr Joachim is to appear as leading violinist, and Mr. Franklin Taylor as solo pianist.

The second grand orchestral concert of the new series at the Royal Albert Hall took place on Tuesday evening, when Herr Wilhelmj again displayed his admirable quality of tone and finished mechanism in an elaborate violin concerto by Herr and finished mechanism in an elaborate violin concerto by Herr Hégar, a young German composer, and in two short solos of the player's own composition. The overture to "Der Freischütz," that by Mr. Sullivan entitled "In Memoriam," Mendelssohn's "Italian Symphony," and the march from Meyerbeer's "Le Prophète," were finely played by the band. Several vocal pieces were very effectively rendered by Mdlle. Johanna Levier and Mr. W. H. Cummings. Mr. Barnby conducted, and Mr. Randegger acted as pianoforte accompanist. Between the parts of the concert Handel's "Dead March" (from "Saul") was played, in tribute to the memory of the late Sir W. Sterndale Bennett. Another popular ballad concert is to be given this (Saturday) evening, and "The Messiah" is to be performed on Wednesday next.

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The fifth and last of the series of Mr. Henry Holmes's Musical Evenings took place on Wednesday, when the programme was one of great interest, having included Beethoven's string quartet in A minor, op. 132, and that by Spohr in C, op. 141, Gade's pianoforte trio, and other pieces.

Mr. Henry Leslie's new series of four subscription concerts will begin on Feb. 18.

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Mr. Kuhe's annual musical festival at Brighton is to begin on Thursday next. As before, the performances will take place in the Pavilion, and will include the co-operation of a full band and chorus, Mr. Kuhe and Mr. Kingsbury sharing the office of conductor. Among the principal vocalists announced are Mesdames Sherrington, Wynne, Blanche Cole, Levier, Alvsleben, Sterling, Elton, Fairman, and Patey; Messrs. Rigby, Cummings, Lloyd, Sims Reeves, Lewis Thomas, Agnesi, and Santley; while the list of solo instrumentalists comprises the names of Mdlle. Marie Krebs and Mr. Kuhe (pianoforte), MM. Sainton and Viotti Collins (violin), Mr. Radcliff (flute), Mr. Lazarus (clarinet), Mr. T. Harper (trumpet). Among the oratorios to be given are Bach's "Passion Music;" Costa's "Naaman," conducted by the composer; Macfarren's "John the Baptist," "The Messiah," "The Creation," and Gounod's finest sacred work, "Gallia," now called "The Lamentations of Jeremiah." The instrumental works promised include the first of Haydn's Salomon Symphonies, Weber's concertstück, Mendelssohn's violin concerto, Beethoven's Symphony No. 5, Schumann's concerto for piano, Schubert's Eighth Symphony, and the following overtures: "The Tempest" (Benedict), "Overtura di Ballo" (Sullivan), Tannhäuser (Wagner); besides which, Mr J. F. Barnet will conduct his descriptive piece, "The Lay of the Last Minstrel."

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Dr. Sloman's cantata, "Supplication and Praise," which was performed, in June last, at the Royal Albert Hall, will be shortly performed, with orchestral accompaniments, by the Melbourne Choral Society, Derby.

We regret to have to announce the death of Sir W. Sterndale Bennett, which took place on Monday, after a long illness. A portrait of Sir Sterndale will be given in this paper next week, until when we reserve his memoir.

By the recent death of Mr. J. H. Griesbach musical science has lost an earnest student, scarcely any member of the musical profession having devoted more time and attention to the mathematical side of the subject, as proved by his volume entitled "Analysis of Musical Sounds, with Illustrative Figures of the Ratios of Vibrations of Musical Intervals," &c. In discussions in the musical papers he defended his theories with great ability, and he also took an active part in the work of the committeees appointed to arrive at some decision as to the adoption of a uniform pitch in this country. Mr. Griesbach was also well known as a pianist and a teacher. By the recent death of Mr. J. H. Griesbach musical science

THEATRES.

The smaller theatres, headed by "the little theatre" in the Haymarket, have waited for their customary month, and now begin to put forth their counter-attractions as the pantomimes at the larger houses suffer from the usual decline which naturally befalls them six weeks after Christmas.

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Mr. Buckstone has seen his opportunity, and hastened to revive Mr. T. W. Robertson's play of "Home," which was brought out at his theatre in 1869. It was intended by its author as the pendant of "School," and served well the purpose for a time of introducing and sustaining Mr. Sothern in a new part, and showing that his ability was not confined to one striking and eccentric character. Mr. Robertson was indebted to a foreign source for the idea of his play—namely, M. Emile Augier's "L'Aventurière," the scene of which Mr. Robertson transferred from Italy to England. The story, we take it, is familiar enough to the reader. The part of Alfred Dorrison is one likely to become popular, and in the hands of Mr. Sothern proved to be signally effective. Returning home under a feigned name, and charged with the duty of delivering his father from the machinations of a designing woman, there are degrees of development in the character which increased its interest and gave abundant opportunity for the actor's art. degrees of development in the character which increased its interest and gave abundant opportunity for the actor's art. Mr. Sothern was, and is, great in the natural phases of this gradual revelation of person and purpose. Other parts have suffered, perhaps, by the change of performers. Mr. Rogersis not exactly equal to Mr. Compton in Captain Mountraffe; but Mr. Howe is a good substitute for Mr. Chippendale in Mr. Dorrison. Miss Ada Ward now performs Mrs. Pinchbeck, and Miss Walton, Lucy. Miss Linda Dietz is good in Dora Thornhaugh. The comedy is preceded by a comedietta, entitled "A Fair Encounter," being an adaptation of M. Octave Gasteneau's "Les Souliers de Bal;" and the two heroines are fairly represented by Misses Linda Dietz and Maria Harris. The comedy of "The Serious Family" concludes the entertainment.

The Charing-Cross Theatre has produced a new farce, called "Mr. Jaffins's Latch-Key." Jaffins returns home intoxicated, and mistakes No. 8 for No. 6, and another man's lodgings for his own. Mr. Lewis Ball supports the part, and plays with considerable humour. The performance of "The New Magdalen" continues, and Miss Cavendish improves upon her former efforts in the character.

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The Royalty is now under the joint management of Miss Henriette Hodson and Madame Selina Dolaro, and was reopened, on Saturday, with Offenbach's "La Périchole," and Mr. Campbell Clarke's version of "Marcel," under the title of "Awaking." The success of the latter was more than might have been expected. The former derives a prestige from the original representative of the character—Madame Schneider—and Madame Dolaro is apparently ambitious to emulate her fame. The plot and part have difficulties, but these are conquered by the good taste of the actress. Her simulation of drunkenness is cleverly veiled, and if anything could atone for the moral impropriety of the incident, her acting might serve as a capital apology. The other parts are respectably sustained, and on the whole the most is made of the theme, and what is best in the treatment is skilfully brought out.

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The Court has not been so successful as usual. Mr. J. Maddison Morton is the author concerned, and his comedicta is entitled "Maggie's Situation." Maggie is a stepchild, and acts as a sort of Cinderella to her stepsister, Anastasia, a romantic young lady, whose behaviour is altogether in contrast with that of Maggie. The stepmother, weary of her charge, determines that the poor oppressed girl shall go out as a governess; but things take another turn. The lover intended for Anastasia shows a liking for Maggie, which is confirmed by the generosity of the latter, who, thinking him a ruined man, offers him the whole of her savings. Such conduct is irresistible, and the end is what might be expected. The comirresistible, and the end is what might be expected. The commonplace character of the plot is not redeemed by any brilliancy of dialogue or ingenuity of situation. There is a want of novelty in it, as well as of stage effectiveness. The part of the heroine is skilfully supported by Miss Marie Litton, who is deservedly a favourite with the audience.

Mr. Frederick Burgess took his annual benefit on Tuesday, two special performances being given in St. James's Grand Hall, the first in the afternoon at three o'clock, and the other in the evening at eight o'clock. The programmes on both occasions were of a specially attractive character, the musical portion containing several new productions. Besides the usual company a number of well-known artistes appeared at the day performance, and the Minstrels supplemented their entertainment by giving a concert in "white faces," an improvement which, it will be recollected, has been more than once suggested in our columns. in our columns.

we have received a copy from Mr Hollingshead of his letter to the Lord Chamberlain, in behalf of theatrical performances on Ash Wednesday, and of morning performances at concert rooms and entertainment galleries. We are inclined to support him in both objects. His memorial is signed on behalf of 491 persons, who are all employés at the theatres more or less subject to his management. Theatrical property has lately improved its conditions. It requires so much capital, and employs so much labour, that it merits consideration, and would even justify much of privilege, on the part of Government and legislation. ment and legislation.

The Maidstone Journal is informed that Lord Holmesdale, M.P., has caused an intimation to be conveyed to his numerous tenantry in that district to the effect that in future they may do as they like with the game and rabbits on their farms.

A remarkable instance of lapse of memory was related (a Pall Mall Gazette correspondent writes) at Dartmouth on Monday evening. A bedridden old woman, who had long been in receipt of outdoor relief, had lived in an extremely indigent and miserable condition, paying only sixpence a week for the attendance of a woman to wait on her. This woman yesterday had the curiosity to unlock and search a box in the ald woman's receipt of the found to be a contribution a hundred to the contribution of the state of the search of yesterday had the currosty to unlock and search a box in the old woman's room, and there found a bag containing a hundred sovereigns. A gentleman who had befriended the invalid was called in, and she declared her utter forgetfulness that any money was in her room. The relieving officer, however, has laid claim to the hoard of gold with a view to the repayment to the guardians of the sum expended on the old woman's maintenance. She formerly kept a cider-shop.

OBITUARY OF EMINENT PERSONS.

LORD ST. LEONARDS.



in the county of Sussex m the county of Sussex, a Privy Councillor of England and Ireland, High-Steward of Kingston-on-Thames, D.C. L. of Oxford, and LL.D. of Cambridge, died at Boyle Farm, Surrey, on the 29th ult., at the advanced age of ninety-four. His Lordship, perhaps the most eminent Chancery lawyer of his Chancery lawyer of his time, and the author of

Chancery lawyer of his time, and the author of several standard legal works of the highest authority, was born in humble circumstances, his father being a hairdresser in Dukestreet. His great aptitude for legal learning having attracted the notice of a leading conveyancer, he was educated for the law, and was called to the Bar by the Hon. Society of Lincoln's Inn, in 1807. He soon rose to great distinction at the Chancery Bar, and acquired immense practice as a real property lawyer. He received his silk gown in 1822; and in 1829, in which year he was knighted, he was appointed Solicitor-General during the Duke of Wellington's Premiership. At various times he represented Weymouth, Melcombe Regis, St. Mawes, and Ripon in Parliament. In 1835, he was constituted Lord Chancellor of Ireland, and held the great seal of that country a second time from 1841 to 1846. In 1852, on the accession of Lord Derby's Government, he became Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, and at the same time was elevated to the Pcerage as Baron St. Leonards. His Lordship married Winifred, only child of Mr. John Knapp, and had a large family. Lord St. Leonards's most popular contributions to legal literature are his treatise on "The Laws of Vendors and Purchasers," his work on "Powers," and his "Handybook on Property Law." Lord St. Leonards' remains were interred, on Tuesday, in the Church of St. Nicholas, Thames Ditton, by the side of those of his wife, who died in 1861 at an advanced age. The funeral was strictly private. The portrait engraved is from a drawing made a great many years ago, when Sir Edward Sugden had scarcely passed middle age. His Lordship refused to be photographed in the latter part of his life.

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The Most Rev. Dr. Patrick Leahy, Roman Catholic Archbishop of Cashel and Emly, died on the 26th ult. This distinguished prelate was born May 31, 1806, the son of Patrick Leahy, Esq., County Surveyor of Cork, an eminent civil engineer. He received his education at Maynooth College, and is remembered by his cotemporaries not only for his theological learning, but especially for his brilliant literary and classical attainments. After his ordination he became Curate of the parish of Scartheen, in the diocese of Cashel. He was subsequently a Professor and afterwards President of the College of Thurles, whence he was transferred to be priest of that parish and Vicar-General of the diocese. He was also, on the establishment of the Catholic University, appointed Vice-Rector, under Dr. Newman; and finally, in 1857, was consecrated Archbishop of Cashel. By the death of Archbishop Leahy the Roman Catholic prelacy has lost one of its greatest ornaments. DR. PATRICK LEAHY.

WILLS AND BEQUESTS.

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The will, dated March 19, 1869, of Mr. Thomas Thorpe Fowke, formerly of Woodlands, Isle of Wight, and late of Saling Grove, near Braintree, Essex, who died Dec. 15 last, was proved on the 22nd ult. by Adam Washington, the surviving executor, the personal estate being sworn under £180,000. The testator bequeaths 100 gs. to his executor free of duty, and all his furniture and household effects to his daughter, Miss Margaretta Fowke. The sum of £120,000 he leaves upon trust for his said daughter for life, and, subject to her appointing one third of the income to any husband she may marry under a power which he gives her for that purpose, on her death it is to go to her eldest son. The sum of £20,000 is also left upon trust for his brother William Villiers Fowke for life, and at his death for all his children except the child who shall be entitled to the real estate of which his said brother is now tenant for life. The residue of the testator's real and personal estate is left to his said daughter for life, and then to her issue, as she shall appoint. shall appoint.

The will, dated June 9, 1871, of Mr. Peter Cababé, formerly The will, dated June 9, 1871, of Mr. Peter Cababé, formerly of Bombay, but late of Manchester, who died on the 2nd ult., was proved on the 28th ult. by Paul Cababé, the brother, the acting executor, the personal estate being sworn under £50,000. The testator bequeaths to his wife, Mrs. Thakoui Cababé, an annuity of £150 for life, with the use of his residence and furniture during widowhood; he also gives her the income of the residue of his real and personal estate during life or widowhood, for the maintenance and support of herself and the maintenance, education, and bringing up of her eight children; on her death or re-marriage the property is to be divided between all his children, omitting his eldest son, Paul; the reason as given by the will for omitting him being that he will be provided for by testator's brother Paul. vided for by testator's brother Paul.

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The will, dated Nov. 9 last, of Mr. George Mullins, late of No. 304, Kennington Park-road, who died on Dec. 17, was proved on the 13th ult. by Willoughby Mullins, Arthur Rainbow Mullins, and George Spencer Fisher (nephews of the deceased), the executors, the personal estate being sworn under \$40,000. The testator bequeaths £1000 to the Pewterers' Company, to be invested and the interest paid annually to ten poor freemen of the company. He also bequeaths to the Church Pastoral Aid Society, the Church Missionary Society, the British and Foreign Bible Society, the Charing-cross Hospital, the London City Mission, and the British Home for Incurables, £1000 each; and to the City of London Truss Society and the Religious Tract Society £500 each. All these gifts are free of legacy duty. There are many considerable legacies to his relatives, and the residue he leaves to his three executors.

The will and three codicils, dated July 11, 1871, and July 23 and October 8, 1874, of Dame Mary Ann Chantrey, late of No. 55, Lower Brook-street, who died on the 3rd ult., were proved on the 20th ult. by Philip Charles Hardwick and Lewis John Berger, the executors, the personal estate being sworn under £35,000. The testatrix appoints as her residuary legatees Mrs. Emma Gooding and Mrs. Mary Ann Bompas. Among numerous other legacies we find bequests of £300 stock New 3 per Cent Annuities to each of the following charities, the Artists' General Benevolent Institution, established in 1814; the Royal Corporation of the Literary Fund, established in 1790; the Westminster Hospital, near the Abbey; the Royal Free Hospital, Gray's-inn-road; St. George's Hospital, Hydepark-corner; and the Cancer Hospital;—and £200 of the same

stock each to the Consumption Hospital, Brompton; the Deaf and Dumb Asylum, Gloucester-road, Old Kent-road; and the Indigent Blind Society, St. George's-fields, Southwark; all free of legacy duty.

CHESS.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

All communications relating to this department of the Paper should be addressed to the Editor, and have the word "Chess" written on the envelope.

T Hazzon.—The position is very crowded, and not up to our standard in point of merit. C G, Ipswich.—Too obvious, we are sorry to say, besides being ovariaten with duals. Eronian.—A smart little game, but spoiled by the weakness of the defence. The problem is neat, but unfortunately admits of a second solution by 1. B to K 7th (ch), 2. Q to K B sq (ch), 5. P mates.

F H of Mona.—The problem sent is a very old acquaintance.

G J SLATZE.—The two-mover is a very pretty position, and shall have a place anon, The other, we think, would make a better three-move problem. The first move is too forcing.

ing.

The Brighton Chess Club is held in the Aquarium. See the notice in our ression for Jan. 23.

Impression for Jan. 23.

A B.—Many thanks for the game. You shall hear from us shortly.

FRANZ D.—There is no good book of the kind.

G H V.—Problem No. 1613 is quite sound.

F H B and E H C.—Many thanks for the problems.

W AIRET.—How do you propose to mate in three moves if Black play 1. B to Q B 6th?

Both?

Pors.—In the one case the Bishop covers, and in the other the Queen covers, mating. Your solution is incorrect. See notice above to "W. Airay."

F.G.D.—There is no mate in three moves.

J. G.C., CLUE, CLOREX, A. WOOD, W.F. PAYNS, G. H. V.—We are unable to submit your proposed variation to the author, who is in India; but at first sight it appears to be a first still the second of the control of the co

A LEE.—If there were no Black Bishop, White would mate at once by I. Kt to Q 5th.

PROPERM No. 1613.—Additional correct solutions received from Nosyalnif, Bonn, Dr

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PROBLEM NO. 1614.—Correct solutions received from Clive Croskey, H E Raimbach, Singleton, East Marden, Tredunnock, W S B, F C D, T Ewing, Three Blenheim Oranges, E Ryan, F G Landon, Julius L, A W B, Miss Jane D, A Lees, C R Anderson, R F N Banks, A Fitz-Riley, Paul Pry, G S Spadding, and Dumpling.

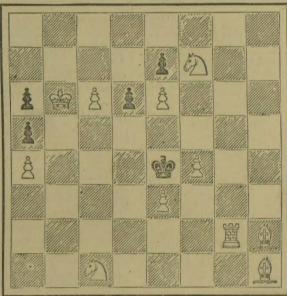
PROBLEM NO. 1615.—Correct solutions received from J K, H B Vincent, and Wowley.

O An amateur would be glad to play one or two games by correspondence. Address Dr F A Lees, Middleton-in-Teesdale.

SOLUTION OF PROBLEM No. 1614. 1. Kt (from Kt 6th) Kt takes Kt • 2. Kt to K B 3rd to Q 7th Strategy 2. Rt to K B 3rd 3. R or Kt mates BLACK. Anything 2. R takes B (ch) R takes B 3. R mates

PROBLEM No. 1616. By Mr. W. GRIMSHAW.

BLACK.



WHITE.

White to play, and mate in three moves.

CHESS AT WARSAW.

The annexed Game was played at Warsaw in August last between Mr. S. Hamel, the President of the Nottingham Chess Club, and Mr. Scholoezer, one of the leading players in Warsaw.

P to Q 4th Q takes K P

29. R takes Q 20. R to Q B sq 11 30. Kt to Q 3 31. P to Q B 5th.

P to Q 5th Kt to Q 4th Kt to Q B

Kt 8th B 6th (ch) Q 4th 4th

K 5th Q B 5th

R to Q sq P to Q 6th (ch) R to Q R sq

sq slit (ch)

white (Mrights' Defence to the King's Bishop's Game.)

WHITE (Mr. H.) BLACK (Mr. S.)

P to K 4th

B to Q B 4th

Kt to K B 3rd

Kt to K B 3rd

Kt to Q B 3rd

P to Q B 3rd

R to Q B 3rd

L twould, probably, have

The game is now resolved into a well-known form of the Giuoco Piano. Castles

6. P to Q Kt 4th

We should have preferred playing 6. P to Q R 4th.

B to Q Kt 3rd Kt to Q R 4th P to Q 3rd 7. P to Q Kt 5th
8. Kt takes P
White had evidently this sacrifice in view
when he advanced the Pawn to Q Kt 5th.
He now wins a flook and two Fawns in
Safrie quirelent.

R takes Kt
K takes B
B to K Kt 5th
Q to Q 2nd
P to Q R 3rd
B to Q 5th
Hy, B to Q Kt 2nd.
P takes P 9. 10. B takes R (ch) 11. Castles 12. Q to Q B 2nd 13. P to Q R 4th 14. P to Q B 4th

Anticipating, appare 15. R to Q R 2nd 16. R P takes P 17. B to K 3rd 18. P takes B 19. Kt to Q B 3rd 20. Q to K B 2nd 21. Q to K Kt 3rd 22. Q R to K B 2nd P takes P P to Q Kt 3rd B takes B R to K sq K to Kt sq B to K 3rd Q to K 2nd All the moves are very carefully played first player. by Mr. Hamel.

51. 52. P takes P, K to R sq

and Black resigned. CHESS IN AMERICA. A Game recently played between Messrs. Roberts and Davidson.
(King's Gambit declined.) WHITE (Mr. R.)
12. Kt to KKt 3rd Q to Q 4th
13. P to K B 5th

BLACK (Mr. S.)
P takes P
B to K Kt sq
Kt to Q Kt 2nd
Kt to Q B 4th
have been better to
een's 3rd.

Kt to K 5th
Q takes Q
R to Q sq
Kt to Q 3rd
7th, White answers with

R to Q.2nd
R to Kt 3rd
K to Kt 2rd
R to K sq
R to K sq
K t takes R
K to B 3rd
K to K 4th
P to K Kt 4th
R to Q. 3rd
K to Q. 3rd
K to Q. 3rd
K to Q. 3rd
K to Q. 3rd

this end game is very

P takes P

HITE (Mr. R.)
P to K 4th
P to K 9th
P to K 9th
P to Q 4th
P to Q 4th
P to Q 4th The best method, the gambit.

3. P takes Q P

4. B to Q B 4th P to K 5th

The usual move at this point is 4. B to Q Kt 5th (ch) 4.
5. Kt to Q B 3rd
6. P to Q 4th
7. K Kt to K 2nd
8. Castles
9. B takes Kt
10. Kt takes B
11, Kt takes K P

Kt to Q B 3rd P to Q Kt 3rd 14. P to Q B 3rd 15. P to K B 6th Again the right style. B to Q Kt 2nd Q to Q 2nd P to K Kt 3rd K to R sq Q R to K sq R to K Kt sq,

Very well played.

TROTTER'S LYCEUM.

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Twenty or thirty years ago it occurred to some influential and intelligent inhabitants of the parish of St. Biddulph (London, S.W.) that what their neighbourhood really wanted was some place of the nature of a Mechanics' Club or Institution; where the working man might, for a mederate yearly fee, obtain nourishment for the intellect, and be able to enjoy the pleasures of social converse untempted by any refreshments more deleterious than, at the worst, lemonade or soda-water. In a good reading-room, thought the influential inhabitants, the journeyman shoemaker might pleasantly and profitably spend his evenings, more or less under the wing of—in point of fact, Highly Respectable People. At a lecture-hall, said the intelligent inhabitants, audiences of the better class of working men might hear addresses on scientific and social subjects from—in point of fact, men of brains and education. St. Biddulph's was just the parish for this sort of thing: though it bore the well-sounding initials S.W., it was anything but a "swell" neighbourhood, while it would be altogether unfair to call it a low neighbourhood. It was, twenty years ago, as it still is, a Cheap Neighbourhood; and its inhabitants were and are principally of the small shopkeeper class.

The St. Biddulph's Lyceum existed as a Lyceum, reading-room, and lecture-hall for something under three years; and it would be the grossest perversion of truth to say that during any portion of that time it flourished. It is believed that no lecture ever given there paid its expenses; and the majority of the lectures were so unutterably mild that this fact reflects the greatest credit on the discrimination of the inhabitants of St. Biddulph. Perhaps the classes politely termed "lower" have not the unmeasured craving for lemonade attributed to them by the influential and intelligent gentlemen aforesaid; perhaps (though we can hardly think it) they do not thoroughly appreciate the Hand of Hope Review or even the British Workman; they may possibly—unlike the

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one, and did not like the introduction of St. Peter's at Rome in the view of the parish by night: they said they thought it spoilt it.

A troupe of nigger minstrels soon after secured the Lyceum at a moderate rental, and gave five consecutive performances in its great hall; then they went away, having cleared something like ten pounds, without paying anybody anything. This soured the proprietors, and also rather lowered the tone of the place, preventing some highly respectable Primitive Methodists from hiring it for a temporary meeting-house, as it is believed that at one time they had serious thoughts of doing. The subsequent history of the Lyceum is too chequered for detailed narration, and we will pass on to the time when it became, as the St. Biddulphians now affectionately term it, Trotter's.

Trotter is a dancing-master. It is vain to conceal the fact; and it would be a cruel kindness to say that Trotter is anything but a very bad dancing-master. However, he has converted the lecture hall into a saloon for dancing, wherein throughout the week he holds assemblies, elementary and juvemile classes, quadrille nights, and dress balls, which are largely patronised by the filte of St. Biddulph's shop boys and girls, by a few foreigners, and by domestic servants who often come from considerable distances by omnibus or "underground" to spend their evenings-out in the mazurka or waltz.

It must be fully understood that Trotter's is theroughly respectable. It is no place where the jeunesse drove revel and carouse amid silken sphendours and jewels that flash like Willo'-the-Wispe on the road to ruin. Here the lowly sempstress, her needle for a few brief hours laid aside, the factory girl from her loom, and the "young person" from the neighbouring sweetstuff-shop, forget their toils in the pleasant companionality of young men of their own rank, many of whom, if strangely elad and insufficiently washed, are endowed with a charming flow of light yet intellectual conversation. Here, instead of cilided walls and glitterin

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